

Thunderbird North

Neighborhood Newsletter

February 2016 Issue

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

It is an honor to be elected to the TBNCA Board of Directors and to be able to serve you in 2016! I would be remiss if I didn't acknowledge the hard work by the 2015 board, led by board president Charles Eubanks. Twenty-fifteen was a banner year for us with deed restriction revisions, improvements to our pool area, the community-wide garage sale, and our decision to employ a management company to better serve homeowners and residents of Thunderbird North.

I am looking forward to continuing the forward momentum in 2016 with a great group of hard-working board members – please mark your calendars for the third Wednesday of each month and join us as we conduct business and work to keep our neighborhood the wonderful place to live that it is. Fellow board members Bill Smith, Annamarie Saavedra, Sarah Rivette, Katie Meeks and I all look forward to meeting you and to serving you in the months to come. Please let us know if there is a question or concern we can help resolve or if you have a compliment we can share with others.

Best wishes for a happy and healthy 2016,

Susan Soto

2016 TBNCA Board President

2016 Assessment Payments

When our neighborhood voted to amend the Thunderbird North Deed Restrictions in 2015, homeowner assessments were increased to \$175 per year. The vote included a provision that homeowners have the option to split their payment into two payments of \$87.50 each – one due on or before January 1 and the other due on or before July 1. If you overlooked your January payment (either full or partial amount), please be aware that your past due balance will be assessed \$1 per month interest until your account is brought up to date. You will receive an updated statement from the association during the first quarter of 2016 if you are past due.

TBNCA 2016 Board

Congratulations to our newly elected board members, Bill Smith and Sarah Rivette! At the January TBNCA Board Meeting, board members held elections for each office and the results for 2016 are:

President: Susan Soto

Vice President: Bill Smith

Secretary: Sarah Rivette

Treasurer: Annamarie Saavedra

Director At-Large: Katie Meeks

We are looking forward to a great year!

New Mgmt. Company:



The TBNCA Board, after extensive research, discussion and consideration, have agreed and signed a contract with Spectrum Assoc. Management. Spectrum, a management company with an excellent reputation, will assume administrative task of TBNCA on March 1st. With the new management company, residents will have the opportunity to make assessment payments online, report violations and speak to a community manager. Keep a lookout for a welcome letter from Spectrum in March.



Crime Watch Program

Thunderbird North is working with Missouri City Police Department to form a Crime Watch program for our neighborhood. Orientation is scheduled for February 22, 6pm-9pm at the police station. Please RSVP to Katie Meeks at mrskatiemeeks@gmail.com. Attending the meeting is not a commitment, but a way to find out more and decide what your interest and involvement might be.

Prior to attending the meeting, please request, complete, and return an application for the program. You can get an application from Sgt. Jazton Heard, and he is also who your application should be returned to. He can be reached at atjheard@missouricitytx.gov or 281-403-5825.

Tennis Players Wanted

Interested in meeting fellow tennis players in our neighborhood and putting those dusty old racquets to use? Thunderbird North has great tennis courts for you to practice your moves and meet up with neighbors for fun games. Email Katie Meeks at mrskatiemeeks@gmail.com to connect with other Thunderbird North tennis players and meet some new tennis buddies!

2016 Annual Meeting

The year 2015 was an exciting year for the Thunderbird North Community Association! Make plans now to attend our annual meeting on April 20, 2016, starting at 6:30 PM at the Quail Valley City Centre. You'll have an opportunity to meet the 2016 Board of Directors, hear about the state of our community, and socialize with your neighbors and city officials. We might even have a surprise or two during the evening, so you won't want to miss it!

We are interested in partnering with local businesses at the annual meeting. If your business can assist by sponsoring light refreshments, donating a door prize or participating in another way, please contact us at TBNBoard@yahoo.com – we'd love to hear from you and work with you now and in the future!

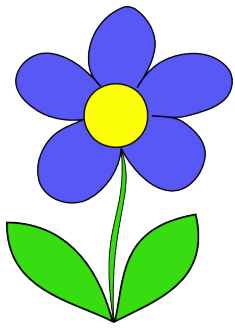
Deed Restrictions Committee: New Solid Waste Service

Missouri City has signed a new solid waste service agreement with WCA which began at the first of the year. There is an excellent video at the city's website, missouricitytx.gov, which details the policies and procedures for the new service. For Thunderbird North, our schedule for service is:

- Trash: Every Monday & Thursday
- Yard Waste: Every Thursday
- Recycling: Every other Thursday
(For February, dates are 2/4 and 2/18)
- Bulk Waste: Every other Thursday
(For February, dates are 2/4 and 2/18)

Trash should be placed in the provided blue bins so that the lid closes, and recycling in the grey bins. Yard waste may be either bundled in 4' bundles, placed in your old waste bins, or placed in compostable bags, such as paper kraft bags (available at most hardware stores). As a reminder, store the trash cans where they are not visible from the street. The city will be strictly enforcing.

Questions? Contact WCA at 281-403-5800



Garden Club

Everyone welcome! New members needed! Guys too. The Garden Club meets the second Saturday of each month, at 11 a.m., at the Bluebonnet Grill. The Bluebonnet Grill is located

in the Missouri City Center, formerly the Quail Valley country club. The current project is landscaping the front entrance to Thunderbird North with annual spring flowers. You can start to spruce up your yard too. Now it's the time to plant roses. We will be starting the Yard of the Month contest soon. If you have any suggestions on beautifying the neighborhood, please let us know. Happy gardening!

Missouri City Police Dept.

In the last month a serial burglary was responsible for multiple offenses in Missouri City as well as Sugar Land. This suspect entered unlocked side garage doors overnight and stole anything of value he could find inside. There were 2 lessons learned from these events. First even if you close your main garage door, ensure you are locking the side doors as well to keep yourself protected. Second he was identified and subsequently apprehended due to being captured on video from a homeowner's security cameras. If you have security cameras on your home you can register to be a "Silent Partner" with the Police Department. If we have an offense in your area we then have the ability to contact homeowners with camera systems and see if they captured any suspect or suspect vehicle footage. If you are interested please see the Police Department portion of www.missouricitytx.gov and look at the link for Silent Partner.

Newly Updated Website

Thunderbird North has a newly updated website with lots of information and resources for residents. The website can still be accessed at the same addresses, thunderbird-northca.org or tbnca.org. Check it out and let us know what you think! There is a subscribe option on the website so that you can receive updates and information via email. Just click on "contact" at the top of the screen, then fill in the "subscribe" box next to the email form. If you had previously subscribed to our old website, please re-subscribe now to be sure contact is not lost.

Missouri City Launches SeeClickFix "iReport" Mobile App

This month, Missouri City launched an online and mobile smart phone application through SeeClickFix.com called "iReport" that allows citizens to report code enforcement violations. Using GPS to identify a citizen's location, the application is also aided by submitted photos residents can take using their smart phones. "Once a resident has reported an issue, iReport will contact the corresponding Code Enforcement Officer via email for further review," Code Enforcement Supervisor Ron Wrightsil said. "The application also allows residents to track the status of their complaint, receive progress reports and comment on other complaints."

The new application is available for free in the app store for iPhone and Android phones; citizens can download the application by searching "Missouri City iReport". Issues can also be reported and tracked online at SeeClickFix.com/Missouri-City. "This new application is the result of a successful collaboration between many City departments, and we hope this project is one of many news ways we utilize growing technology to benefit residents," Missouri City Police Chief Mike Berezin said.

Missouri City Code Enforcement Staff will respond to iReport service requests regular business hours Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.; requests submitted after 5 p.m. and during the weekend will be addressed the following business day. Missouri City Code Enforcement Officers will respond to each report on a case-by-case basis; if no violation or if a warning is given, the Officer will note this on iReport. Officers will also report when the issue has been fixed or the violation has been abated. SeeClickFix.com monitors for derogatory and/or abusive language and may remove a post or revoke posting privileges for individuals who violate guidelines. Non-emergency issues that require immediate attention need to be reported to the Police Department's non-emergency number: 281.403.8700.

For more information about Missouri City, please watch the City website: ww.missouricitytx.gov, like us on Facebook—[fb/MissouriCityTX](https://www.facebook.com/MissouriCityTX), follow us on Twitter and Instagram—[@MissouriCityTX](https://www.instagram.com/MissouriCityTX) and watch Missouri City Television (Ch. 16 on Comcast and Ch. 99 on AT&T Universe).

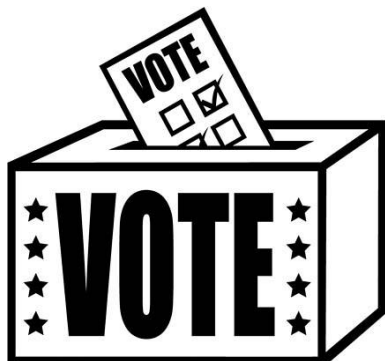
Local Election Day: MAY 7

Residents of Thunderbird North have several elected officials who represent them at the local level: Mayor Allen Owen, District B Council Member Don Smith, and At-Large Council Members Jerry Wyatt (Position 1) and Chris Preston (Position 2). Missouri City's two At-Large council positions are included in the 2016 election that voters will decide on Election Day -- Saturday, May 7, 2016.

It has been several years since a resident of Thunderbird North served on the Missouri City City Council – many of you may remember when Scott Moseley served our neighborhood in that capacity. This year, a resident of Thunderbird North has announced her candidacy for Council Member At-Large Position 2. Susan Soto, a resident of Thunderbird North for 5 ½ years with her husband Pete, filed her application for a place on the Missouri City ballot on February 1.

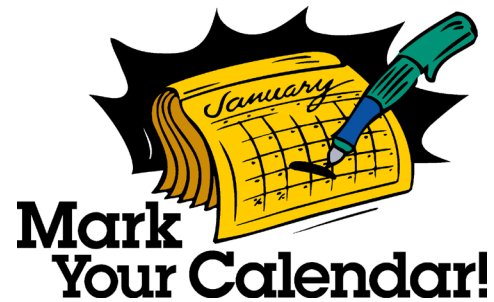
While over 11,000 people are registered to vote in Missouri City's District B (which includes Thunderbird North), less than one thousand votes were cast in the 2015 race for District B Council Member – just over 600 in early voting and less than 400 on election day. In its official capacity, the TBNCA Board of Directors will remain neutral in all positions up for election this year, but the board encourages ALL eligible residents to register to vote before the voter registration deadline of April 7, 2016 and to cast their vote in the May 7, 2016 limited election, which will decide the mayoral race as well as both races for at-large city council positions. Your vote is your opportunity to be heard, to hold elected officials accountable for their decisions and to have a say in important issues that affect our community. On Election Day, every vote matters – especially yours!

If you need more information about the 2016 elections, contact the Fort Bend County Elections Administrator at 281-341-8670 or VOTE@FortBend-CountyTX.gov.



Social Committee

The Social Committee is planning on holding our annual Splash Day pool party in July and our National Night Out party in October. If you would like to help please contact Peter Cruickshank at 832 452 1680.



- 2/13 11am Garden Club Meeting, Bluebonnet Grill
- 2/17 6:30pm TBNCA Board Meeting, City Centre (2880 La Quinta Drive)
- 2/22 6:00pm Crime Watch Orientation, Missouri City Police Station
- 3/12 11am Garden Club Meeting, Bluebonnet Grill
- 3/16 6:30pm TBNCA Board Meeting, City Centre (2880 La Quinta Drive)
- 4/9 11am Garden Club Meeting, Bluebonnet Grill
- 4/20 6:30pm Annual TBNCA Board Meeting, City Centre (2880 La Quinta Drive)

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