



Mandell Place Civic Association

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A Neighborhood by Design

Mandell Place is a Deed Restricted subdivision
Feb. 2000 NEIGHBORHOOD NEWSLETTER

THE NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, February 23

6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Brasil Coffee Café

on the corner of Dunlavy and Westheimer

Guest speakers from Winlow and Montrose Annex

ALL MANDELLERS ARE WELCOME!

DEED RESTRICTIONS TOPIC FOR NEXT MEETING

At our next meeting the President of Winlow Place, the subdivision to our west, will tell us how Winlow Place packed a hearing to force a developer to change building plans. The developer wanted to build, but not according to Winlow's deed restrictions.

Montrose Annex is the subdivision on our east. There has been steady erosion of single family houses, which have been replaced by three story town houses. We need to hear about their problems with deed restrictions -- and more.

What has happened to these subdivisions could happen to us if we let our guard down..This meeting will help us learn what to watch for.

We will be forming our Deed Restriction Committee at this meeting. This is your chance to make a difference—come volunteer—we need you?

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENTS

We are anticipating a busy 2000 in Mandell Place. We would like to thank the current Board Members, Block Captains and Committee Chairpersons for volunteering their time and energy for our neighborhood. Please make note of the leadership names and numbers listed in this newsletter. Keep us informed with your suggestions and information. We need your active participation to maintain the integrity of our neighborhood.

Our main emphasis this first quarter will be the Membership Drive and Security Patrol Enrollment. The membership drive will be starting very soon. We need everyone's support.

We will maintain our membership in the Neartown Association and attend the Presidents' Council Meetings. We will do our best to share information about our greater neighborhood with you.

Arlene Znosko and Kirsten Hansen, Co-Presidents of MPCA

WWW.GULFCOASTIDEAS.ORG/MANDELLPLACE

Hey folks, we now have our very Mandell Place website. You can access it at www.gulfcoastideas.org/mandellplace. Our webmaster is David Crossley. We are most grateful to him for all the work and expertise he put into this website. It has long been a dream of ours to have a website. And thanks to some savvy Mandellers, David was contacted and we are now up and running. We will have this newsletter and lots of other good info on this site. Thanks to Robert Graham, as well, for helping us to make the initial contacts.

We think the website is pretty terrific. When you access it, you will see good info about Mandell Place that is updated frequently. Any suggestions for new info will gladly be accepted. The webmaster's e-mail address is on the website.

DONNA ROTH HONORED BY NEARTOWN

Donna Roth was recognized by the Neartown Association for her hard work and diligence in pushing for the successful amendments to the Street Closure Ordinance. At this time the application for a permit for the Westheimer Street Festival has been denied, but the denial will be appealed. So, stay alert!

DEED RESTRICTIONS

An attempt was made to violate the deed restrictions on Harold Street in Winlow Place. The large neighborhood turnout voicing opposition at the Public Hearing convinced the planner to withdraw the violating plans. Without the verbal and physical show of solidarity and sincere desire to maintain the neighborhood standards the deed restrictions would not have been enforced.

A TIME TO FLY YOUR FLAG

February 21 is Presidents Day and February 22 is Washington's birthday. A good way to show honor and respect for these special American days is to proudly display your American flag.

NOISE IN THENEIGHBORHOOD

Neighbors on Hawthorne Street are bothered by loud music coming late at night from a nightspot on Westheimer. The sound resonates up the parking area between Westheimer and Hawthorne and then down Hawthorne as though it were a sound tunnel. If this noise bothers you, call the police at 713-222-3131. Ask for a sergeant with a noise meter to go to the offending site. Also you can call the TABC at 713-880-3003 if you see any underage patrons entering any liquor establishment. Please keep a record of your calls for service. With enough evidence, we can protest the renewal of a liquor license. It takes a concerted effort on the part of the neighborhood to do this, but it can be done.

GET READY, ITS COMING SOON!

It will soon be time to mail our membership packet to everyone in Mandell Place. The Committee, chaired by Pandora Snethkamp, has been hard at work make up the packet and refining the mailing list. Its kind of like "counting fleas" to get everyone's address correct because there is a lot of moving in and out in our neighborhood. If we didn't get your name straight, or have the wrong address, please help us out and let us know. We are anxious to have accurate records, and you can help us there.

BIG GARAGE SALE COMING UP

Nearstown Association is planning to coordinate a "garage sale tour" this spring. If you plan a garage sale in April, notify Nearstown. They will help you publicize it as part of the tour. Contact them on line or by phone

NEW AND RENEWING MEMBERS OF MPCA

The following neighbors have made their commitment to the neighborhood as members of MPCA for 2000:

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| Erwin Brown, Jr. | Cecillia L. Mahar |
| Betty Cardone | Gregg Parten |
| Bob Clayton | Richard Schneider |
| John Culver | Katy Scogin |
| Robert C. Graham | M. Sandra Scurria |
| Pamela L. Laflin | Carol Wolk |

DOG AND CAT LEASH LAW

In response to a number of complaints about loose animals the following is from

BARC
Bureau of Animal Regulation and Care



Phone: (713) 547-9400

A Bureau of Animal Regulation and Care publication. Call 713-9400 for additional information:

It is against the law for pets to roam loose. Unleashed pets with access to public sidewalks, streets or neighbor's property may be impounded.

- The impoundment fee can run from \$25 to \$100.*
- All dogs and cats within the city limits must be licensed.*
- There is a limit of three dogs over the age of six months per household.*

Pet owners, make sure your pet is vaccinated and licensed and leashed. It's the kindest way to treat your pet.