



Crestwood / Glen Cove Neighborhood News



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It is time for our Spring neighborhood meeting. Topics to be discussed include the state of Memorial Park, neighborhood security, and reestablishing a block party.

This Spring and past Winter brought sufficient rain to stop the drought conditions that plagued Houston last year. The neighborhood came together to plant trees in the Westcott esplanade in the past and it is time to consider similar action to help reestablish Memorial Park as we would like to see it.

The Washington Avenue Livable Centers Study is ongoing. The civic club

has been participating in the study to ensure the planners account for the expected increase in traffic between the study area and Memorial Park.

Neighborhood Directories

Crestwood/Glen Cove directories are available, and are being distributed to Civic Club members. If you are a member and do not receive a copy, please email communications@crestwoodglencove.org, or call (713) 864-0221 to have a copy delivered.

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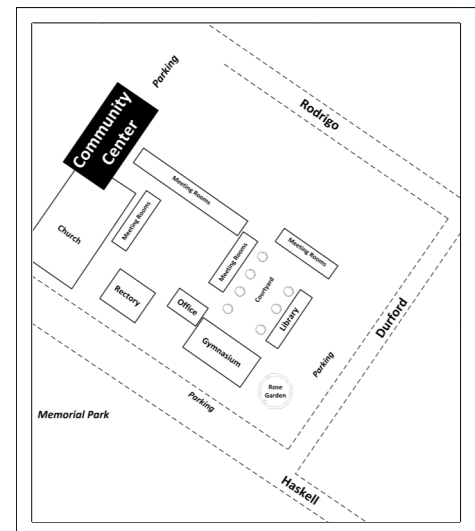
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All-Neighborhood Meeting is April 3rd !!



All homeowners are invited to our next All-Neighborhood Meeting to be held at St. Theresa's Catholic Church on Tuesday, April 3, at 7pm. The meeting will be held in the **Community Center**.

The Church is located at 6622 Haskell, and the Community Center is located at the far north-west end of the church property on Rodrigo with ample parking available. Please plan on attending and discussing things happening in and around our neighborhood.



Neighborhood Security Meeting with Mayor Parker

Some members of the Crestwood/Glen Cove Neighborhood met with Mayor Annise Parker, Ms. Waynette Chan, the mayor's chief of staff, and Mr. Dennis Storemski, the mayor's Director of the Office of Public Safety and Homeland Security on January 27th. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss safety and security in and around our neighborhood.



governing camera surveillance systems. The changes proposed were to allow neighborhoods access to street easements for private surveillance systems.

- Installing speed bumps on Blossom to increase pedestrian safety and mitigate speeding.

A few weeks after the meeting, Ms. Chan sent a response that addressed some of the issues.

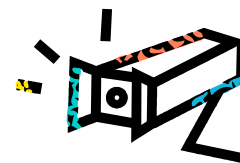
The installation of speed bumps on Blossom has been unsuccessfully attempted several times in the past. The response from the City this time was no more supportive.

The Mayor's office indicated that

an HPD Directed Area Response Team has been working, and will continue to work, in and around our neighborhood in an effort to suppress crime.

The Public Works and Engineering department, responsible for maintaining the swales, was opposed to any fencing efforts.

Mayor Parker indicated in the meeting that street closures were fairly difficult to achieve.



Changing the camera surveillance ordinance seemed to meet with some support. HPD is currently spearheading this effort, with input from citizen's groups.

The meeting will be discussed in greater detail at the Spring All-Neighborhood Meeting.

Several topics were discussed with the Mayor:

- Securing the swales that drain flood waters by appropriate fencing.
- Closing selected streets to limit easy escape by criminals.
- Having HPD park patrol sweep our neighborhood.
- Modifying City ordinances

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Drought Devastation and Recovery

The devastation brought by recent drought conditions in Memorial Park are self evident. Many trees have been lost, and work is underway to clear the dead vegetation on Crestwood to mitigate the resulting fire hazard.

The drought has intersected a Forestry Conservation and Management Program begun in late 2010 by the Memorial Park Conservancy, the Houston Arboretum and Nature Center, and the City's Park and Recreation Department. This is a multi-year program designed to clear out the invasive understory



growth that is suppressing growth of native seedlings.

Overlapping this project are the reforestation efforts to recover from last year's drought. Limited replanting has started on Haskell, but none has occurred on Crestwood since vegetation is still being cleared.

This is an opportunity for our neighborhood to get involved by donating trees to be replanted along Crestwood and restore the look that has drawn many of us to our neighborhood.

The Conservancy is accepting individual and corporate dona-

tions. Apache Corp has already offered to plant 2000 trees.

Interested residents can email communications@crestwoodglencove.org or call (713) 864-0221 to find out more information.

Deed Restrictions

The five sections in our neighborhood are deed restricted. Please check with the Architecture Committee prior to making additions to your home! Copies of the deed restrictions can be found on the club website at www.crestwoodglencove.org.

Blockheads

Street	Blockhead	Email Address
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