

HEIGHTS WEST

H O M E O W N E R S G R O U P
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October 2002

NEWSLETTER

HWHG MEETING

Where - Community Room next to Union Planters Bank

999 N. Shepherd.

When - Thursday, October 17, 2002.

Time - 6:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

HWHG ELECTIONS TIME

Election time for HWHG Officers will be held at our October meeting. We will elect President, Vice-President and Secretary. Consider getting involved and running for an office. We need the help. Also the free oil change by Kwik Kar Lube and Tune and other prizes will be given out after the elections.

HISTORICAL ORDINANCE

On September 30, I attended a meeting at the City Annex where Ms. Annise Parker listened to comments on the Historical Ordinance. I took this opportunity to inform Ms. Parker and the other Council members present, that the HWHG is opposed to the 90-day waiver being removed from the ordinance. **NOTE: City Council will put this ordinance to a vote this year. If you have an opinion, let our Council representatives know how you feel!** Our Council representatives are:

Ms. Annise Parker at 713-247-2014, email address atlange1@cityofhouston.net Let her know if you want to be informed when the next meeting will be.

Mr. Gabriel Vasquez at 713-247-2003, email address districth@cityofhouston.net

Mr. Gordon Quan at 713-247-2013, email address atlange2@cityofhouston.net

For more about the ordinance, visit the following sites: www.preservationsanity.org or www.Old6ward.org. To read the proposed preservation code, see: <http://www.ci.houston.tx.us/departme/planning/hpo.htm>

SEPTEMBER'S GUEST SPEAKER

It was pouring down rain, high water everywhere and Ms. Jessica Farrar made it to our meeting. She spoke about Deed Restrictions, a responsible Flood Plan, and that she is gearing-up to handle pending issues and new ones for the 78th Legislative session. One of these will be related to transportation in the district: freeway expansion of I-45 and Hwy 290. Ms. Farrar's email address jessica.farrar@house.state.tx.us and the mailing address is P.O. Box 30099, Houston, TX, 77249. Her aide's name is Raul Saldivar at raul.saldivar@house.state.tx.us. Thanks for being there and good luck!

LUBY'S CAFETERIA

Many thanks to Mr. Joseph Benjamin, Luby's Manager. We were locked out of Union Planter's Bank and he allowed us to use one of Luby's meeting rooms.

OCTOBER'S GUEST SPEAKER

Once again Council Member Gabriel Vasquez will speak at our next meeting. Mr. Vasquez was elected to Council for District H in December 1999. He focuses on neighborhood improvements, safety and development. He is currently the chair of the Regional Planning and Economic Development Committee. He also serves on five other committees. Recently, he invited members of the Preservationist and Property Rights Groups to meet and try to resolve some of the Historical Ordinance issues. I attended these meetings and would like to commend

Mr. Vasquez and Mr. Robert Fiederlein, Chief of Staff for Mr. Vasquez for an outstanding job keeping the meetings focused on the issues and summarizing the numerous discussions and debates. Be sure to come and listen what Mr. Vasquez has to say.

SCHEDULE OF GUEST SPEAKERS*

MONTH	SPEAKER
October	Councilmember Gabriel Vasquez
November	State Representative John Whitmire
Also - Pot Luck to celebrate our last meeting of 2002.	
December	NO MEETING

* thanks to Tim Daponte for getting our speakers.

HEIGHTS WEST CRIME STATS

For info on crime stats visit the cities web site at: www.ci.houston.tx.us/departement/police/central.htm
For specific questions, email our Officer, Carol Trautwein. Her address is ctrout2@aol.com or call her at 713-803-1151.

(Thanks for your vigilance, Carol & Beverly)

CITIZENS ON PATROL (COPs)

Let's show some interest in getting this program in the Heights! We are the 'front line' for our neighborhood! Call 713-862-1147 or email upan52@yahoo.com. Cruise and take notes!! If no one responds, this request will be removed from future newsletters.

PROCTOR PLAZA

For info on what's going on in the Proctor Plaza area, visit their web site at www.neighborhoodlink.com/houston/proctor

ALL SAINTS CHURCH GROTTO GARDEN WALK

If you would like to purchase a brick to remember or honor a loved one, contact All Saints Church. They are located at 215 East 10th Street. Their phone number is 713-864-2653

HANDY E-MAIL AND PHONE NUMBERS

Heights West ~ HWHG@hotmail.com

Sex offenders' web site:

<http://records.txdps.state.tx.us/soSearch/soSearch.cfm>

Help for Seniors: www.benefitscheckup.org

Malfunctioning Traffic Light? call: 713-837-0600

Complaint Line to report Drug Activity

281-405-3673 (713-4NO DOPE)

Environmental Issues, Concerns And Complaints

City of Houston's Bureau of Air Quality Control

air pollution issues/complaints (713)640-4200

Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission

(713)767-3712

NEW CITY SERVICE HELP LINE - DIAL 311

Home Security Surveys - 713-803-1151

MISCELLANEOUS TOPICS

1. Boarded up or burned out houses, non-drivable junk cars in driveways, heavy duty trash in the street **WAY BEFORE** heavy duty trash day or an illegal activity? Call HPD at 713-222-3131.

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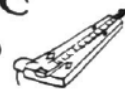
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