

Memorial Bend Civic Association Newsletter

December 2019

Happy Holidays

Memorial Bend Civic Association

Tribute to Ron Bitto our HOA President

It is with sadness that I have to share with our community that Ron Bitto our HOA President, passed away a few months ago due to complications from surgery.

Ron was dedicated to our community. I recall he was talking to a group of us and said that after Harvey he felt an obligation to serve his community. He felt this calling because so many in the Bend had been affected. Ron was a very kind and wise man. It was fun working with him on the board, always a challenge. I personally will miss working with him. We will miss seeing Ron and Connie strolling through the Bend. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Bitto family.

Robin Menuet

HOA Communications

Memorial Bend Civic Association Acting Presidents Message

Ken Hurr

Dear Fellow Memorial Bend Homeowners,

My name is Kenneth Hurr, and I am the current President of Memorial Bend Civic Association (MBCA). When Ron Bitto, our 2019 association president, resigned from the MBCA this year, I was asked to serve. Sadly, Ron passed away a few months ago. Ron served our community for many years and did so to the end. He has been both a mentor and a friend over the years. Words cannot express our gratitude to Ron and the countless hours he gave in service to our community. Ron will be greatly missed by all.

The holidays are a celebratory time of year especially when you share special moments with your family, friends, and community. I offer my sincere thanks to all of our neighbors for your continued support for each other, being neighborly, and staying abreast of issues surrounding this region.

Thank you again for making this neighborhood a wonderful place to live, and wish all of you the very best. Happy Holidays

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Annual Meeting

January 30, 2020

Memorial Dr United Methodist Church

Wesley Hall

7:00pm start 6:30pm registration

Volunteer for your community

All applications for board positions must be sent to AVR or Erika Sorsby by Dec 17.
ericasorsby@yahoo.com, kament@avrmanagement.com.

The Memorial Bend Civic Association needs homeowners to volunteer for the board of directors. While the current board's two year term does not end until February 1, 2020, it's time for residents to put their names in the hat for the board election that will take place at the January annual general meeting. While several current members of the 13-person board will be standing for re-election, several others are "retiring".

The board meets once a month and manages the association's budget, the Precinct 5 Constable patrol, maintenance of areas along Beltway 8, relationships with local government, and enforcement of the deed restrictions and architectural guidelines. Board members deserve our thanks for their time and effort on behalf of the Bend.

If you would like more information on how the board works please contact me, Robin Menuet
rmmenuet@gmail.com.

In addition the MBCA is seeking block captains to rekindle the traditional network to keep residents up to date on happenings in the neighborhood. Robin Menuet is leading the effort to recruit block captains, so please contact her at rmmenuet@gmail.com if you would like to be one of the captains.

Security Update for the Bend

As we approach the Christmas holidays here are some tips for protecting your property:

- *Alarm systems with glass breakage feature
- *Ring.com doorbell or something similar
- *Camera
- *Adequate outdoor lighting
- *Keep hedges trimmed
- *Keep garage door closed
- *Lock back gates
- *Don't dispose of large boxes at curb (new 70" tv box!) break them down and put in trash
- *Park vehicles in driveway not on the street
- *MB sticker for cars available email ericaagostini@comcast.net
- *Going out of town? Let the constables know 281-463-6666 or <https://constable5.com/index.php/vacation-watch/>
- *Put the constables # in your phone 281-463-6666 If you see something report it to the constable

Erica Agostini-Jordan Security Director

Memorial Bend Architecture update

Griffin Vance will provide a comprehensive report at our January Annual Meeting

Memorial Bend Real Estate Market

A quick look at Memorial Bend real estate market:

Memorial Bend Real Estate Market December 2019

Current Active Listings on the Market:

1 original home that did not flood at \$459,000

4 original homes that flooded offered at lot value \$479,900-\$599,000

2 remodeled older home that flooded \$675,000-\$697,500

1 remediated newer home that flooded \$1,050,000

7 Newer homes that did not flood \$1,150,000-\$1,625,000

Under contract

1 original home that did not flood \$429,000

Last 6 Months of Sales

3 original homes that never flooded \$437,000-\$560,000

1 original house that did flood sold for lot value only \$487,500

1 newer home that did flood \$1,250,000

1 new home \$1,275,000

1 remediated newer home that flooded \$1,050,000

7 Newer homes that did not flood \$1,150,000-\$1,625,00

Thanks to Cindy Boyd with Remax Real Estate for this update.

713-438-4747

Waste Management

Memorial Bend

*Trash pick up is every Monday, unless a holiday then will be picked up the following day

*Recycling, we are on the Monday A schedule, so every other Monday

* Heavy trash is picked up the 4th Wednesday of every month. This rotates between lawn waste, then heavy household trash the next month.

Please call 311 for any issues around all city services

FYI

***Memorial Bend email list. Please if you would like to be added to the email list please send your email to Erika Sorsby, Robin Menuet or AVR. ericasorsby@yahoo.com, rmmenuet@gmail.com, kament@avrmanagement.com**

*West Houston Teen Leadership Summit Date Announced, Nominations open, State Representative Jim Murphy has announced Saturday, February 22nd, 2020 as the date of his fourth West Houston Teen Leadership Summit for high school sophomores and juniors. This

event hosted at the Norris Conference Center in the heart of House District 133, provides high school sophomores and juniors with the opportunity to connect with their peers, as well as community leaders, politicians, and business executives for a full day conference on leadership development.

If you would like more information please contact rmmenuet@gmail.com. For information on nominating students call Houston office 713-465-8800 or Capital office 512-463-0514 or email DISTRICT133.Murphy@house.texas.gov.

*Dogs are no longer allowed in the Audubon sanctuary

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