



MAINSAIL

WINTER 2024



VENETIAN ESTATES NEWS & EVENTS

President's Message

Another wonderful year in Venetian Estates is ending and what a year it was. It usually seems to be cooler floating around the lake during the summer months-- not so much this year with the incredible heat that we experienced, so it's nice to have some cooler weather now.

Thanks to our Public Relations Committee, our social scene continued to be vibrant in 2023. From coffee with the neighbors, to our very own crawfish boil, to the Memorial Day car & golf cart parade and our patriotic 4th of July boat parade, ice cream social, neighborhood wine & cheese and ending up with our beautiful Holiday party. All well done and well attended, you are missing out if you have not been to one of Venetian Estates social events. Our events for the children throughout the year were fantastic and enjoyed by all. It is amazing how our youth population is growing in Venetian Estates. Santa Maria was fortunate to be one of the host streets for Halloween this year, the wave of children that ran down our street to trick or treat was no less than spectacular!! I would like to thank all our neighbors who hosted and volunteered for these events. You all make these events special, volunteers like you are why Venetian Estates is such a special place to live.

We have a few new neighbors that are calling our little piece of paradise home. To those families, welcome to Venetian Estates, where hospitality and friendship thrive. Where a wave and a smile still exist. You will soon find what a special place this is to call home.


I would like to give a huge thank you to all the board members who volunteer many hours to keep our neighborhood what it is, the best place in Sugar Land to call home. You all give up so much of your time to make our neighborhood look phenomenal and it is appreciated.

I look forward to life in Venetian Estates in 2024-- meeting new neighbors and attending our many social functions. Our board works hard to maintain the value of our neighborhood and our properties. We hope to generate new ideas in 2024 to continue that mission.

Carol and I would like to wish everyone a very Joyous Holiday Season and a Happy & Healthy New Year!!!



~ Steve Tralie



You're invited to the

VENETIAN ESTATES HOLIDAY PARTY

Saturday, December 2 | 6-9 PM

At the home of Lori & Tom Shirley - 403 Savoy
Bites & Desserts from Brandani's
Bring Your Own Beverage (A Bottle Per Person please)
No RSVP Necessary - Festive Holiday Attire

ANNUAL MEETING IN JANUARY 2024

Please be advised the Lake Venice Property Owners Association, Inc. annual meeting will be held January 18, 2024 beginning at 7:00 p.m. (sign into begin at 6:30). The meeting will be held at the Sugar Land First United Methodist Church in the "Great Hall" (located in the Education Center), 431 Eldridge Road, Sugar Land, Texas 77478.



If you are interested in running for a position, please submit your request in writing providing your name, address, telephone number and email address by December 1, 2023, via one of the following means:

email: lgomez@mascapi.com,
fax: 713-776-1777 or
mail: Venetian Estates Property Owners Association, Inc.
c/o MASC Austin Properties, Inc.,
945 Eldridge Road, Sugar Land, TX 77478

2024 Annual Assessments

The 2024 annual assessments invoice will be sent out soon. Annual assessments are due on January 1, 2024. They are considered late after Jan 31, 2024 with all past due accounts assessed a late fee of \$10.00 along with a monthly collection fee of \$15.00 until paid in full.

Your assessments are what allow your Board of Directors to maintain your community. The assessments cover all operational costs of the Association.

PAST DUE BALANCES: If owners are experiencing difficulties paying their assessments, a request can be submitted for payment deferment and/or extended payment plans to the Board for review. Please contact Stephanie Ramos in our accounting department at MASC Austin Properties, Inc. via phone at (713) 776-1771 or via email acct1@mascap.com to make the necessary payment arrangements if you have a past due balance.

Fall Wine & Cheese

About 70 neighbors from Venetian enjoyed our annual Fall Wine & Cheese event on November 5th. The weather was perfect and it was a great time of seeing everyone. Thank you to Melissa and Matt Hayslip for opening your beautiful home and also to Ralph Twiss and Pat Uselton for bartending!



Block Captains

Block Captains plan many street parties throughout the year, like Memorial Day Car Parade, and National Night Out and others. Make sure to "Thank your Block Captain", and ask how you can assist them for their next Street Event.

As a longtime resident of Venetian Estates, I am proud to call it home. If I can assist you in any way don't hesitate to ask!

Ruth Jungman, 114 Sorrento / RJungman919@gmail.com

Venetian 2024 Block Captains

Bel Mar	Ralph Twiss
Capri	Bob Wilson
Genova	Toni McConnell
Gondola	Staci Pierce
Lombardy	Kelly Rainbolt (addresses 103-318)
Lombardy	Susie Murray (addresses 403-542)
Piedmont	Angie Schultz & Susan Uselton
Salerno	Susan Marblestone
San Marino	James Wong
Santa Maria	Cindy McCoy & Don McGinty
Savoy	Sandra Cornelius (addresses 103-315)
Savoy	Nadine Scott (addresses 403-507)
Sorrento	Tricia Rathwell
St. Marks	Alice Tannahill
Tuscany	Madge Jones

Your Venetian Estates Board:

Steve Tralie - PRESIDENT
Jim Vonderhaar - VICE PRESIDENT
Cindy Paek - SECRETARY
Anum Siddiqui - TREASURER

Trustees:

Bob Buck	Pat Lowrie
Bob Vacek	Ralph Twiss
Christen Johnson	Ruth Jungman
Haynie Stringer	Lori Shirley
Pat Uselton	

The Board of Directors meet on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Sugar Land Methodist Church. Room- 600 (431 Eldridge Road, Sugar Land, TX 77478) unless otherwise noted

Deed You Know?

Our lovely neighborhood is 64 years old this year as evidenced by our many lovely mature trees. When VE was established in 1959 original Deed Restrictions were recorded for Section 1, as the neighborhood was developed section by section each subsequent section had its separate restrictions recorded resulting in four separate restrictions for the neighborhood. These four restrictions are not necessarily identical, as time and the neighborhood evolved so did the restrictions and subsequent amendments. Your board is investigating the simplest method of amending and combining all four sections so that the neighborhood is under one all-inclusive set of restrictions. The board will continue to, from time to time, suggest amendments that keeps our special neighborhood "with the times".

No one likes to receive, and the board certainly does not like to send out, violation letters. When this is done, it is solely for the benefit of the neighborhood as a whole and not a target of individuals. Thanks to all for helping to keep VE a beautiful and wonderful place to live and raise families!

Remember, ALL exterior changes to your property must be submitted using the property improvement application form found on the venetianestates.org website prior to the commencement of construction please call MASC Austin Properties, the property management company for Venetian Estates, with any questions 713-776-1771.





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CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

Once again we will be awarding prizes for the best decorated yards this Christmas season. We will have prizes for first and second place for both the front yard and back yard (lake-side) for those on Lake Venetian. First place for both categories will be awarded a \$100 gift card and second place in both categories will be awarded a \$75 gift card. Viewing to determine the winners will take place the evenings of 12/12/23 and 12/13/23. Please make sure your lights are on by 6pm on both nights.

Please plan on having your decorations removed by 1/22/24.

VENETIAN KIDS AND FRIENDS
 ARE INVITED TO JOIN US AS WE GO

Christmas Caroling

BROOKDALE SENIOR LIVING
 151 COMMERCE GREEN- SUGAR LAND

Sunday, December 10
4:30pm

DRESS IN HOLIDAY ATTIRE +
 HELP US GIVE OUT CANDY CANES AND
 SING CHRISTMAS SONGS.
 PLEASE TEXT 281-299-6184 AND
 LET US KNOW YOU'RE COMING!

Stay in the Know...

On Facebook? Join the Venetian Estates Closed Group for community news.

To be added to the community email list, contact Pat Lowrie at pblowrie@yahoo.com

Need a resident vehicle sticker or neighborhood directory? Contact Ruth Jungman at 713-962-0114.

Visit VenetianEstates.org for information on our community, past newsletters, deed restrictions, and more!