



PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Tarn Springob

I hope everyone is looking forward to the cooler weather and the holiday season. If you haven't yet had the opportunity to attend one of our neighborhood functions, don't miss out on our Christmas party! It is by far our largest annual event and is a perfect opportunity to welcome new residents as well as catch up with old friends and neighbors. It is a unique part of our community and part of what makes it so great to live here.

We also have a number of other items and meetings coming up. Our annual meeting will be held Thursday, January 16. We encourage everyone to attend to hear the latest news around the neighborhood and Sugar Land. We have a plan in place to shorten our meeting some by moving up our board elections to the beginning of the meeting. A number of VEPOA Board positions will be opening up in 2020.

For those of you interested in serving on our Board please call MASC Austin Properties to let them know so that you can be placed on the ballot. If you cannot attend, please send in your proxy. We are required to have a quorum and the proxies get us to a quorum if you cannot attend in person.

Lastly, in the next couple of months we will be sending out notices and a ballot to everyone in the neighborhood proposing a change in restrictions. We greatly appreciate your attention and support.

Warmest regards and love to everyone!



ANNUAL MEETING IN JANUARY

Annual Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 16, 2020 at 7:00 PM.

The Annual Meeting for the Venetian Estates Owners Association, Inc.

The meeting will be conducted at the Sugar Land First Methodist Church

431 Eldridge Road, Sugar Land, TX 77478.

- ◆ Proxies will be mailed to residents
- ◆ If not attending, proxies may be sent into MASC API by email or fax
- ◆ A quorum must be established by proxies
- ◆ To be added to the ballot, please call Leticia Gomez, (713) 776-1771

WINE AND CHEESE DINNER

By Alice Tannahill

The fall wine and cheese was held Sunday, October 20th, at the home of Larry and Betty Olsen on St. Marks. We had approximately 90 residents in attendance. Thank you to all that brought appetizers, desserts, and wine to share. As always, Carolyn James' baked and topped bries were a big hit. They didn't last long. Everyone had a great time mingling with longtime residents as well as many new neighbors.

Thank you to Larry and Betty for opening up your home. Without willing hosts, we would not be able to have these special events.



Please log on our website for future events

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTABLES

1. There have been a number of complaints regarding barking dogs. Please be considerate of your neighbors. The sound carries much farther than your own backyard over the water. Quiet and peacefulness is one of the reasons we all moved here.
2. When the sun dips below the horizon while boating on the lake, please be sure to have your lights on; the only lights that should be visible to other boats are the red and green lights and the white stern or masthead light.
3. Please be aware all our storm water drains back to the lake. Don't blow trash, leaves or branches down the storm drains, as it can cause

backups to our streets. If your street drains happen to be clogged, call the following:

- a. City of Sugar Land Water & Wastewater Services - Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week • Call 281-275-2450 <https://www.sugarlandtx.gov/328/Water-Wastewater-Services>
- b. Notify our District 1 Councilman, Steve Porter. <http://www.sugarlandtx.gov/164/District-1> • Call 281-275-2313

4. As always, our [venetianestates.org](http://www.venetianestates.org) website is a great resource for neighborhood information!

HALLOWEEN HAYRIDE

By Brigit Engleman

And the tradition continues! The first VE Halloween Hayride was held in 2006 with a small trailer and less than 10 kids. Fast forward to 2019 with five large trailers and over 60 kids! Princesses, ghosts, ghouls, superheroes, Disney characters, ninjas, jesters, athletes and more made their way through the neighborhood, trick-or-treating VE-style. Parents and grandparents joined in the fun with well over 100 residents enjoying the cool temps and family-friendly event.



We appreciate the kindness of our neighbors on the trick-or-treat streets that greeted the kids with fistfuls of candy. Special thanks to the Engleman, Harris, Pierce, McGowen and Vaughn families for providing and/or pulling the trailers.

In the words of the Bass Brothers (first-time participants): “Best Halloween EVER!” Save the Date for the VE Halloween Hayride to return on October 31, 2020.



DO NOT CALL

The National Do Not Call Registry gives you a choice about whether to receive telemarketing calls

- ◆ You can register your home or mobile phone for free.
- ◆ After you register, other types of organizations may still call you, such as charities, political groups, debt collectors and surveys. To learn

more, read our FAQs.

- ◆ If you received an unwanted call after your number was on the National Registry for 31 days, report it to the FTC.
- ◆ www.donotcall.gov/



National Do Not Call Registry

POA MEETINGS

The POA meetings are conducted at the Sugar Land Methodist Church, 431 Eldridge Road., Sugar Land, TX 77478 on the **first Tuesday of every month**. Meetings will be held in Room 600, beginning at 7:00 p.m. The next meeting dates are:

- ◆ January 20 - Annual Meeting
- ◆ February 4
- ◆ March 3
- ◆ April 7
- ◆ May 5
- ◆ June 2
- ◆ Summer Break - July/August
- ◆ September 1
- ◆ October 6
- ◆ November 3
- ◆ December 1

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311 SUGAR LAND

You Ask, Our City Answers!

Sugar Land's 311 contact center offers a single point of contact for non-emergency city information and enables residents to make service requests.

Contact Us

Phone: 311 or 281-275-2900

Email: 311@sugarlandtx.gov

Website: www.sugarlandtx.gov/1590/311-Sugar-Land

Monday to Friday
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



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EXTREME COLD

When the temperatures drop below freezing, residents are encouraged to prepare their homes to avoid damage to water pipes, sprinkler systems, and swimming pools. The City does not turn off water at the meter to prevent frozen pipes.

If a pipe bursts

- ◆ Locate and shut off water at the main valve
- ◆ If main valve cannot be located, call 311 or 281-275-2900 and the city's utility staff will come and turn off water at the meter
- ◆ Call a plumber

For more tips about extreme cold conditions, log on to: www.sugarlandtx.gov/722/Extreme-Cold-Conditions