



Cherryhurst Civic Club Newsletter

March 2005

April Civic Club Meeting

The next meeting of the Cherryhurst Civic Club will be Thursday, April 21, 2005, at 7 p.m., at the Cherryhurst Park Community Center, 1700 Missouri Street, in Cherryhurst Park. The focus of the meeting will be security concerns for Cherryhurst Park.

There has been significant concern about the increase in drug use and other high-risk behavior taking place in Cherryhurst Park. In order to address these concerns there will be a panel of speakers to explain the role of City employees who work in the Clubhouse, City procedures for requesting structural changes to the park (such as adding more lights), and other items so that residents can work together to begin to address this concern.

2005 Officers

The Civic Club met January 21, 2005, 7 p.m., at the Cherryhurst Park Community Center. At that meeting, the following individuals were elected as club officers:

Mark Johnson, president
Jeffrey Kuchar, vice-president
Vann Vaughan, treasurer
Victoria Williams, secretary

Brad and Diana Wander have volunteered to do Yard of the Month for 2005.

Cherryhurst Directory Completed and Delivered!

The Cherryhurst Directory Committee has completed its work on the 2005 edition, which is included for all residents with this Newsletter.

The Civic Club wishes to express its gratitude to the Directory Committee, co-chaired by Tracy Gary and Michael Morrison, and members Brenda Gordon, Paige Fajkus, Stan McDonald and Flora Moon.

Please remember that the Directory is provided to Cherryhurst residents for personal use only.

Neartown Proposes Gay Pride Event; Meets This Tuesday, March 22

The Neartown Association will discuss a proposed Cherryhurst Park Gay Pride Event at its next meeting this Tuesday, March 22, 2005, from 7-8 p.m. in the Cherryhurst Park Community Center, 1700 Missouri Street. Visitors are welcome to attend.

Neartown President Jack Rose has proposed a one-day art festival for Cherryhurst Park Saturday afternoon, June 25, 2005, from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Coinciding with Houston's annual Gay Pride Parade, held later that day, the event would feature the work of local artists.

The festival is proposed as a family-oriented event, and would not involve the sale of alcoholic beverages. Closure of the 1700 blocks of Missouri and Cherryhurst streets from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. June 25 would be requested.

The Neartown Association wants to show its support for one of the largest events held here annually, in one of Houston's most diverse communities.

Rose has asked for feedback from Cherryhurst residents; email him at ntaprez@hotmail.com.

The Civic Club has not endorsed or opposed this event, and wants your input. Please email Civic Club president Mark Johnson, at mtjtx@mac.com.

Neartown's website can be visited at www.neartown.org.

Social Committee News

Upcoming events from the Social Committee

In May 2005 the social committee is hoping to host a neighborhood garage sale. We are still seeking a site and are open to ideas. Neighbors would deliver their donated items throughout the day on a Friday in May so that the Committee can organize the items to be sold the following day. Besides looking for a site, the committee will need volunteers and lots of

donated items. Please call Jana Wright at 713 528-1871 if you can help with this event.

As many of you know, the Cherryhurst Civic Club organized a Progressive Dinner in November. It was a huge hit with 28 people in attendance. Many thanks to our generous hosts: Sue Hepler, Frank Liuzza, Gail Meyer and Max Porch for cocktails and other beverages; Jana and Ken Wright, Mary and Jerry Ochoa, Patti Armstrong and Jack Cambien for soup and salad; Jeffrey Kuchar, Robert, Phil Dyer, Gail Gant, Glen Gonzalez and Blake Callaway for the entrée; and Tori Williams, Tracy Gary, Stan McDonald, John Richardson, Justin Strother, Meredith Mills, and Sheri and Stephen Smith for dessert. The food was fabulous. And, the event was so much fun that we look forward to organizing a Feast of the Harvest Moon Progressive Dinner on Saturday, September 17, 2005.

February 'Love Your Neighbor' Valentine Potluck Brunch

Many thanks to the members of the Social Committee for organizing a fun-filled Valentine Potluck Brunch on Sunday, February 13, 2005. The dining table at Tori and Tracy's home was filled to overflowing with delicious breakfast foods and the conversation was lively. Over 18 individuals participated and everyone went home with at least one Valentine sugar cookie decorated in advance by Tori Williams, Susan Barry, Bonnie Kell and Susan's four-year old niece, Eliza.

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Cherryhurst Civic Club Advisory Committee: Pauline Edgar, Tracy Gary, Jeffrey Kuchar, Syd Moen, Flora Moon, Sheila Mylar, Vann Vaughan, Cindi Walker, Tori Williams

Block Captains: Jeffrey Kuchar, coordinator; Pauline Edgar; Susan Bizzell; Candace Lloyd, Ken Wright, Stephen Smith, Sheila Mylar, and others.