

# ACIA

## Happenings

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### July 4th Parade Thanks and Acknowledgments

*By John Heimburger*

The 4th of July 2012...is fini. And what a fun and exciting Parade we enjoyed...thanks to all of you who attended, rode, walked for the exercise, participated in judging, waved, encouraged, took photos, contributed, sang, beat the huge Chinese gong, enjoyed the water slide, trampoline center, cheeseburgers, hot-dogs, pop, snow cones, even attendees like veteran Dan White who did additional duty and helped veterans into the gleaming red, white, and blue Dodge truck beds, Earl Stout who acquired the veterans polo shirts and chauffeured many back to the library, Hunter H. who was recruited to help direct traffic, Doris and Jimmy Wells, ACIA President who tripled as a host, comedian, and \$\$ contributor; Karen and Wayne Newman who were everywhere doing whatever needed to be done before, during, and after, and friend Carl Steward, roving DJ, announcer, and music director who provided prose and an important patriotic musical atmosphere before, during, and after the event.

When "Uncle Sam" appeared, little did everyone know that he had been T-boned in an accident several days before and had staples in his skull and a sore back. But nothing keeps John Wistar Evans IV (a veteran as well) down! Weren't he and Lady Liberty (Gayle Griffin) great! And how about the lady Sailor, flight attendant Sandy Swensen, dressed in sparkling white and a 2nd Lady Liberty marching with the children's rocket cars, mini-motorcycles, bikes ...and what about the tug-boat-float!

Joe Stewart, Kyle Swensen, and Tony Hemming led Eagle Scouts and friends with the huge 48-star 30x12' antique flag ... followed closely behind by the Marty McCain family and friends with a 2nd beautiful flag!

Then there were the drummers --- what a beat they provided with three snares and 2 bass bongos --- Gary Nabors, Richard Nation, the Martins (Chris Jr. and Matthew) newcomers to Atascocita in the last week, and Andrew, our high school marching band member.

And in front to lead off the parade and taking the call when a previous flag holder was unable to make the event --- Julie Daugherty dressed in brilliant red and white who took the opportunity to beautifully and ably

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## ACIA New Website

By Laura Lammers

The ACIA has developed a new website [www.aciahomeowners.org](http://www.aciahomeowners.org). This new site retains much of the information from the previous site and also contains so much more. Our deed restrictions and governing documents are available to be viewed or for download. Other documents such as board meeting minutes, financial reports, and security reports are also available. Two online reporting forms have been created, Resident Input Form, which will allow a resident to immediately contact/inform any board member or our management company of any situation that needs attention and a Deed Restriction Complaint form which can be submitted online directly to the management company. Please sign up to take advantage of all the options. Considerable thought and planning



went into the development of this new site and the Board of Trustees hope that every resident will find it informative and beneficial. We want everyone to feel comfortable using this new website. Please forward any information or suggestions you may have to improve the site to [L.Lammers@yahoo.com](mailto:L.Lammers@yahoo.com). The website belongs to the community and we kept all the homeowners in mind when putting this site together. It's named ACIA Homeowners for just that reason.

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## July 4th Parade Thanks and Acknowledgements (Cont. from Cover)

lead the entire group at the last minute! Thanks for your help, Julie!!

We've been hearing that the most important aspect of this event has been the "togetherness" in our community and nation, and that was continuously shown from the decorated children's bikes to the golf carts, cars, police and fire department participants ... to IncrEdible Delights who supplied the manpower and venue for the post-parade food and the water slide and trampoline center, and to Lopez Landscaping who helped make the avenue neat and clean. Lance Bounds power-washed the "Atascocita Club" sign as a contribution. 'Nuttin Bundt Cakes and Gail Roth provided several hundred delicious snacks from their new store by Kroger. A&J Automotive's Rick Clark and Carl Valentine supplied \$\$ for many of the Veterans Patriotic Shirts...as did Chick-Fil-A's Matt Michaels (veteran), Jim Mastin of the local Edward Jones office (I've known Jim and his assistant Barbara Foskit for 12 years now as friend and client). Can you see how the community banded together to make this holiday a wonderfully-patriotic remembrance? So many smiles and such applause!! Wonderful 4th of July!

Hats off to Humble Signs, even the Bass Pro Shops in Katy and Pearland who provided colorful beach chairs for the veterans who opted for the open spaces of their parade vehicles. Walgreens supplied bottled water, ice, and the dozens of candies for the kids (and the adults I'll bet as well!) The Nation family supplied the larger flag and coordinated drumming practice.

Constable Lekas provided his usual safety net with men and multi-vehicles. AVFD Chief Bivens led the parade, provided 3 fire engines, and saw to it that there were no fire responses during the 2 hours of excitement. Thanks Chief Bivens!

I know I've left people and companies out -- meant to mention that veteran Dr. Winston Hancock, of Northpark Christian Church, honored us with his attendance. And of course, Air Force vet Ted Poe brought his grandchildren to our event and spent many minutes posing for pictures with the crowd. "Way to go, Congressman Poe!"

Again folks, it was a distinct pleasure to see all of you yesterday. Thanks again for making time to make you neighborhood a friendly, safe, and beautiful environment as part of SE Texas!! Visit the ACIA website at [www.aciahomeowners.org](http://www.aciahomeowners.org) to view pictures and a video of the festivities.

We were honored to have the following local veterans participate in the festivities:

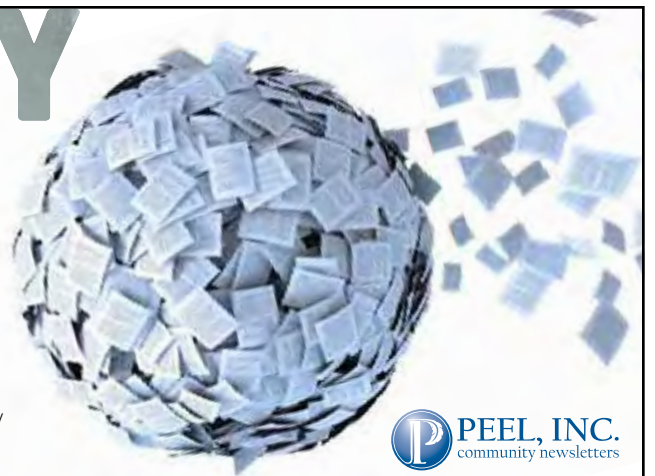
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<b>Elmer Hammond E3</b>	Navy
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<b>Chris Lee Staff Sgt</b>	Air Force
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## Atascocita ACIA Crime Stats

UNIT	CONTRACT	DISTRICT CALLS	REPORTS	FELONY ARRESTS	MISD ARRESTS	TICKETS	RECOVERED PROPERTY	CHARGES FILED	MILEAGE	DAYS
40	29	7	6	0	0	19	0	1	1770	19
4D15	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	67	1
4E64	66	30	18	0	2	57	0	1	983	19
4E65	42	39	24	0	0	20	0	0	915	20
4E70	61	42	36	1	0	18	0	6	1101	21
74	52	0	13	0	0	19	250	0	1380	14
80	39	18	15	0	0	19	0	0	1220	22
<b>TOTAL</b>	289	138	113	1	2	153	250	8	7436	116

*A full version of Crime Stats for Atascocita ACIA can be viewed at:  
[www.aciahomeowners.org](http://www.aciahomeowners.org)  
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## 4th of July Parade Contributors

### SPECIAL DONATIONS

An extra special thanks to Kathy Lookofsky at Incredible Delights for the delicious food, the children's entertainment, and for allowing the use of her facility. Thanks to all volunteers for their hard work.

All Veterans received a Rockport Patriotic Polo shirt generously donated by Mr. Rick Clark and Mr. Carl Valentine, owners of A&J Automotive Services. Veterans rode in the parade in new red, white, and blue Ford F-150 pickup trucks compliments of Humble Planet Ford dealership.

### SUMMARY OF DONATIONS FOR 2012 ACIA 4TH OF JULY PARADE

1. A&J Automotive - Atascocita - Rick Clark/Carl Valentine \$800 cash
2. Chick-Fil-A - Atascocita - Matt Michaels (owner) \$300 cash
3. Jimmy Wells LLC - Humble \$200 cash
4. Jim Mastin's office of Edward Jones \$180 cash
5. Jitters Coffee - Debbie Hamilton \$20 cash

**Total \$1,500**

### SERVICES/IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS:

1. Randall Reed's Planet Dodge - use of 3 new Dodge trucks.
2. Bass Pro Shops in Katy and Pearland - contributed 18 beach chairs

3. Humble Signs - Bart Peterschick - discounted magnetic signs
4. Rockpoint Apparel - Richard Olivi/Earl Stout - discounted 60 patriotic polo shirts for the veterans
5. Lopez Landscaping - made time to clean parade route
6. Nothing Bundt Cakes - Gayle Roth - approx 250 cake pieces
7. IncrEdible Delights - Kathy Lookofsky - venue, hot dogs, hamburgers, beverages, snow cones, water slide, trampoline center, and more...
8. Walgreens - Terry Vaughn, manager 4 cases of Bottled water, ice, candy
9. Bounds Services - Lance Bounds - powerwashed Atascocita Club sign
10. Humble Music Center - Elaine - loaned large American flag
11. Party City - 6705 FM 1960E - discounted flags for distribution
12. Office Depot - Justin Minor - discounted copy services for announcements
13. Chief Bill Bivens - AVFD chief (3 trucks) - megaphone usage
14. Sheriff Lekas - officers and police cars for parade route security.
15. The Richard Nation family - use of 48-star antique 30'x 8' American flag.
16. Carl Stewart - mobile public address system, music, and MC services.

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## Storage Shed Survey

The Architectural Control Committee has received numerous requests, past and present, from residents requesting to install backyard storage sheds. Unfortunately, these storage sheds are prohibited in our Deed Restrictions.

In researching this issue, the Board of Trustees has learned that many neighborhoods in the surrounding area do allow these backyard storage sheds. The Board is aware that some residents have already installed these storage sheds in their yards; however, their presence is still in violation of the Deed Restrictions.

The Board is investigating the possibility of changing the Deed Restrictions and is requesting homeowner input on this issue. Residents are asked to email any board member, their email addresses are shown on page 2 of the newsletter or email Sterling Association Services at [servicedesk@sterlingasi.com](mailto:servicedesk@sterlingasi.com).

### ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL POLICIES

The Architectural Control Committee is requesting homeowner volunteers to review all architectural policies and recommend changes. Residents should email Mr. Ron Jones, ACC Chairperson at [rwjones2012@hotmail.com](mailto:rwjones2012@hotmail.com) to volunteer.



## ACIA SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

*Chairman: Bob Garlington - Vice-Chairman: Rick Halbrook*

The Safety Advisory Committee is not designed to substitute for police protection. Nor is it a Crime Watch in the sense of neighborhood patrols. Rather, we want to encourage our citizens to supplement police activities by providing extra eyes and ears, and caring about our neighbors.

### GOALS OF SAC:

Enhance safety awareness through increased citizen awareness of crime problems and their impact on the community.

Working in tandem with the precinct Four Constable's Office we want to investigate the latest ideas and trends in both property crimes and crimes against persons, learn how to prevent those types of crimes in the community, and communicate this information to the community.

Encourage the accomplishment of home security inspections, operation identification, and target hardening by all neighborhoods.

Encourage accurate and prompt reporting of crimes or suspicious activity in the neighborhood to the police, and

encourage citizens to come forward as witnesses.

We ask our residents to communicate to SAC by use of the above email address which you may access by clicking on the address which is found under the "Security" tab at the association website: <http://www.aciahomeowners.org/>.

We want to learn of citizen concerns about conditions or situations they observe where timely warnings to our neighbors may be appropriate. These warnings or notices will be posted from time to time under the "Security" section of the association website. Some situations, such as recurring incidents of similar crimes in the neighborhood may warrant email blasts to residents. The SAC is not a Crime Watch Patrol; nor is it intended to be a mediator of neighborhood disputes. For the most part we expect situations reported to SAC may require more direct involvement on the part of our Precinct Four deputies.

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