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ATASCOCITA COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION, INC.

The Board of Trustees of the Association has formally adopted the following Meeting Protocol and Recording Policy and Resolution with respect to both meetings of members and meetings of the Board of Trustees:

1. To assist the secretary and association manager in preparing accurate minutes of the meetings, please be advised that ACIA will be both audio and video recording this and future meetings. These recordings will normally be retained by the association manager for 72 hours for the purpose of review for minute preparation. However, such recordings may be retained for longer periods of time if the board determines it is prudent to do so.

2. MEMBER INPUT - Members who wish to address the Board are required to sign in at the beginning of the meeting. This is the only period designated for public input.

The Board of Trustees is required to have one Annual Meeting of Members. However, the Monthly Meeting of the Board of Trustees is the board's meeting to receive and accept contractor reports and discuss as appropriate or address other agenda items. Except for the portion of the meeting designated specifically for member input, visitors are only observers.

During that portion of the meeting designated for member input the member, upon being recognized by the president, shall then proceed to comment in a brief and concise manner. Each member will have three minutes to address the Board.

Members are asked to make all of their statements and ask all of their questions in the three minutes allowed. The member should then be seated and only then will the board respond. No member is

ACIA Deed Restrictions

When you bought your home in the ACIA neighborhood you were provided a copy of the deed restrictions at closing. This was and continues to be a deed restricted community. While you should know what section you live in, if you do not, you can find on your tax report at the Harris County Appraisal District website, or call Community Asset Management @ 281.852.1155. All deed restrictions are posted on the ACIA website: www. aciahomeowners.org.

Please feel free to read them. It will make you more aware to the responsibilities of being a more responsible homeowner and a better neighbor.

If you are going to change or do anything to the exterior of your home, like an addition, replace or repair the roof, driveway, fence, paint, change out the garage door, siding, brick, decks, swimming pool, major landscaping or really anything that can be seen by others, you must complete an ACC (Architectural Control Committee) approval request form (also found on the website). If you do not you will probably be getting a letter from Community Asset Management Company (CAM). Should you receive a letter and you don't know why please contact CAM so the issue/issues can be discussed. This does not need to escalate. This is your responsibility and enables you to be a better neighbor.

A deed restriction violation that is brought to CAM's attention does not affect just you, but the entire neighborhood. The violation was probably brought to CAM's attention by one of your neighbors or discovered during routine inspections by the management company. Yes the management company drives through the neighborhood to do inspections and they do report violation. However many come from your neighbors and when they do action is taken. That is the responsibility of CAM and your ACIA Board of Trustees.

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Fire, Medical or Life Threatening Emergency	
P-4 Constable Dispatch	281-376-3472
Humble ISD Police (Schools)	281-641-7900
Atascocita Volunteer Fire Dept (AVFD)	
Non-Emergency Number	281-852-2181
Harris County Animal Control	
Texas Poison Control Center	

UTILITIES

Electric, (multiple providers)	www.powertochoose.org
Power Outages	
Street Light Outages	
Gas, Centerpoint Energy	
Gas Leaks	
Water, Severn Trent	
24 Hour Emergency Number	
Telephone, Centurylink	
Trash, Waste Management	
Humble Post Office	
Harris County MUD #132	www.hcmud132.com
Harris County MUD #151	www.hcmud151.org

SCHOOLS

Humble ISD	
Website	www.humble.k12.tx.us
Pine Forest Elementary	
Maplebrook Elementary	
Atascocita Middle School	
Atascocita High School	

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to attempt to regain the floor and/or take additional time to argue or bring up additional points unless the board recognizes them or asks them for clarification.

If an item has already been considered by the Board, the item will not be addressed unless there has been a substantial change since the Boards last resolution of said item.

Without taking action, a Board member(s) may briefly respond to the statements made or questions posed by the member or ask a question for clarification.

At the Annual Meeting of Members the president may poll members for or against a particular issue based on the current discussion and may provide additional members to speak only if they have something new to add.

The Board may take the issues/matter under advisement.

ACIA Deed Restrictions (Continued from Cover)

The Board is not permitted by state law to say what is being done with a specific address or homeowner, however, action is being taken. That said, it costs all homeowners part of their dues to handle the admin cost of sending out numerous letters in addition to legal action in advanced cases. Sometimes a few feel they have the right to ignore the very restrictions they agreed to when they bought a house in the ACIA Neighborhood. This is just not true; nor is it acceptable.

Is your yard and home kept properly? Are boats or trailers in the driveways or streets for more than a week? Is there trash piled up and seen from the street? One is required to keep their home and yard in good condition and free of disallowed vehicles. Each family has the responsibility to keep the yard mowed and edged. Yards and homes cannot be unattractive or unsightly. There cannot be grass growing over the curb. Violations for these deed restrictions are way too abundant.

The ACIA Board and Community Asset Management Company strongly encourages all homeowners to follow the deed restrictions. It cost your ACIA way too much for administration and legal fees to pursue homeowners ignoring the deed restrictions that they agreed to when their home was purchased.

Please know it's nothing short of a miracle that the annual dues were not increased for 2016. There have been numerous unexpected repairs and maintenance at both parks for the electrical, pools, playground areas, tennis courts etc.

The goal is to NOT increase your ACIA annual dues for 2017. Please lend a helping hand and do your part to keep the dues from increasing and to help keep ACIA Community a beautiful and thriving area.

Thanks in advance for doing your part.

ACIA Board of Trustees

Don't Dump On ACIA

The ACIA must expend considerable funds paying contractors to pick up and dispose of green waste (dead tree branches) that are dumped on common areas. Dumping of green waste has also happened on the petroleum pipeline running through the sections located on the south side of FM 1960. Dumping degrades the environment, is an eyesore, and is difficult to clean up. We should all take our obligation to protect the neighborhood environment seriously. The trash contractor, Waste Management, will pick up branches that are bundled and less than 4 feet in length. Local business, Dirt Cheap Mulch, will accept branches of any length for a small fee. Costs for all services are continuously rising. Please help keep our neighborhood attractive and clean. Please do not dump debris in the gully (drainage) areas. Harris County will levy fines for cleanup. There have been several complaints in this area.

This is against the law, creates rodent and insect habitats, and causes our beautiful Lake Houston to be full of trash and decomposing material that causes algae blooms killing aquatic life. Localized flooding of our homes could also occur as a result of the debris clogging the area drainage. Also, several million residents in Houston drink this water from Lake Houston! We should all be more respectful of our environment.

If you witness anyone dumping, get the license plate number and a description of the vehicle if possible and call the Precinct 4 Constable Dispatch at 281-376-3472. ACIA will prosecute for dumping on private property.

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ENTER TO WIN A \$100 BACK 2 SCHOOL GIFT CARD

This month The Tracy Montgomery Team is giving away tickets to Houston's favorite football team, the Texans! Do you want them? If so, enter our monthly raffle. It's that easy.

Enter to win by sending us an email. Put TEXANS TICKETS in the subject line and give us your name, address and phone number where you can be reached if you win.

TracyMontgomeryTeamRSVP@gmail.com

Congratulations to the Dorondo Family for winning the "Back to School" Target gift card we gave away in August!

We appreciate your continued referrals. If you or someone you know is thinking of buying, selling or investing, please give us a call! We'd love the opportunity to help you with your real estate needs.



LOCAL RECYCLING

The Kingwood Recycling Drop off Center is open every weekend from Friday at noon until Monday morning. This center accepts:

- a. Aluminum and steel cans, including empty aerosol cans.
- b. #1,2,3,4,5, and 7 plastic bottles and containers
- c. Clear and colored glass
- d. Paper, cardboard, and phone books

The first Saturday of each month Electronic recycling event is held in conjunction with CompuCycle.

Items accepted included TVs, PCs, servers, laptops, printers, copiers, telephones, cameras, and small appliances. CompuCycle also has a mobile hard drive shredder to shred hard drives on site.

Items not taken include shredded paper, paper coffee cups, pizza boxes and soiled paper plates and napkins, and plastic bags. For more information go to: http://www.keepkingwoodgreen.org/

Paper can also be recycled at the Abitibi green and yellow recycling bins found at most schools and the library. No cardboard, shredded paper, or soiled pizza boxes and drinking cups.

O'Reilly Auto Parts accepts used motor oil, transmission fluids, steering fluids, and used batteries. They do not accept used coolants.

Grocery stores accept plastic grocery carrying bags. Many items can also be donated to local charities.

GREEN WASTE RECYCLING

Dirt Cheap Mulch Co. accepts green waste debris such as logs, branches, shrubs, and yard trimmings and also recycles items such as trees, limbs, leaves, and shrubs. The recycled material is converted into mulch, soil products, and biomass fuel for renewable energy projects. The fee for dumping is \$5 per cubic yard for all trailers and a \$10 minimum for most pickup truck loads. If you bring your debris in plastic bags, empty the contents of the bags and take the bags with you. Dirt Cheap Mulch will not accept wooden pallets, plywood, fence boards, treated lumber or trash of any kind. Green waste is accepted Monday through Saturday from 8 am until 4:30 pm. For more information go to: http://www.dirtcheapmulch.com/

Interesting facts:

Time it takes garbage to decompose in the environment: Glass bottle – 1 million years Plastic beverage bottle – 450 years Tin can – 50 years Plastic bag – 10-20 years Aluminum can – 80-200 years



TENNIS NEWS

ACIA is very pleased to announce that the construction on the new Shores Tennis Courts are well underway. As of this writing the foundation and fencing is complete. Courts may be completed by the time this article is published. Thank you C L Sports for doing an awesome job.

The Friday morning Ladies Fun Tennis continues. Please be advised this currently is every Friday morning at 8:00 a.m. This is for any age and any level of experience.

The clinics continue on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. This is also for all levels and ages.

If you would like to have your name added to the Distribution List in order to receive a reminder e-mail on either of these please contact Pam Hailey or Sue Raymond.

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E-mails will be sent out on Mondays for the following Thursday and Friday's tennis to confirm for the week.

I want to thank Pam Hailey for continuing to do an awesome job with handling these clinics and the ladies fun play. You are truly appreciated Pam. Volunteers at any level of play are invited to assist.

Sue Raymond

ACIA Trustee



ACIA HAPPENINGS NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Dear Homeowners:

The Board of Directors for the Atascocita Community Improvement Association will hold a regular meeting on Monday, September 26, 2016 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30:pm., at The Overlook 20114 Pinehurst Drive, Atascocita, TX 77346.

The subject of the meeting is general business of the Association, including but not limited to, discussion of items related to the Association budget and expenditures as well as discussion of repair and maintenance of the assets owned by the Association. An appeal from the denial of an architectural application may be considered during executive session.

Discussions involving personnel, pending or threatened litigation, contract negotiations, enforcement actions, and confidential communications with the Association attorney, matters involving invasion of privacy of owners, and other matters that are confidential by request of an affected party and agreement of the Board are discussed in executive session.

We hope you will join us to hear what is going on in your community!





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Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous

Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous (FA), a not for profit organization with a 12 Step Program for individuals suffering from food obsession, overeating, under-eating and bulimia. There will be a free Community Information Meeting on October 10th at the Church of the Holy Apostles, 1225 W Grand Parkway S, Katy TX 77494, 7pm to 8:30pm. Everyone is welcome to attend this meeting, including those who think they may have a food problem or are concerned about someone else who may.

Note: We would like to ask you to put a press release in the Community section of your publication. An interview or article can also be arranged.

Team's Cross Country Season Starts September 6th

The Northwest Flyers Track Club Youth Cross-Country Team kicks off the fall season with registration and a mandatory orientation for parents and athletes on Tuesday, September 6, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. at Cypress Creek High School, 9815 Grant Rd., Houston. Registration starts online September 1 at www.northwestflyers.org. Practices are held at the Cypress Creek YMCA and Spring Creek Park in Tomball.

The Northwest Flyers Track Club is a member program of USA Track and Field (USATF), the national governing body for track and cross country. The club is celebrating its 30th year in the northwest Houston area. Ages 6 - 18 may participate in the team, and both beginners and experienced runners are welcome. Middle school and high school cross country athletes can also register, but should compete after their cross country season is over.

For more information contact Coach Eric Wentworth at emw185@ gmail.com or 281-961-6603. Visit www.northwestflyers.org to get updates and learn more about the team.



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Finding Peace

As I sit here, I can feel all of my fears, anxieties & self-doubt circling, pressing in on me like a predator stalking its prey. I'm swarmed by feelings of shame. I didn't do _____ well enough, or so & so did it better. So & so always does it better.

I'm stampeded by thoughts of blame. "Well, it's not my fault because...." "I couldn't do it because...."

As I'm about to go under, I look across the pasture, lock eyes with my horse & hear the words, "Be Still and know that I am God".

Suddenly, I am reminded of just what is important. God is the ONLY one I need to worry about impressing. And, here's the kicker--God made me. He created me—this worrisome, fallible, imperfect being. Knowing this, as well as knowing that God is all-knowing and all-powerful, means that he knew exactly what He was doing when He made me the person I am. Who am I to question His work in me? Who are we to doubt God's judgment in His creation of us; such wonderfully diverse and unique beings, completely individual to ourselves. So, where does that leave me? Well, I may not be able to question His work, but nor am I able to understand it. This leaves me with the thought that I need to find a way to accept myself for who I am.

Finding acceptance within ourselves is no easy task. I fully expect each and every one of us to struggle mightily with our preconceived notions of who/how we should be. I also know that trying to be what we think we should be is exhausting. And depressing. After all, who is ever truly satisfied with his/her self?

It's time to let it go. Let go of the worries, the anxieties, and the fears that you are not who you think you should be; that you are simply not enough. It's time to trust in God's work. I honestly believe that finding acceptance will lead to the most vital component in living a healthy life—Finding Peace.

Do you need help finding peace within yourself? Let the horses help you! Join us this fall for an EAL (Equine Assisted Learning) workshop on Finding Peace. For more information, visit our website at www.fivehorses.com



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HUMBLE ATASCOCITA BASEBALL ASSOCIATION FALL 2016 REGISTRATION INFORMATION

ON-LINE REGISTRATION ONLY

We accept MasterCard, Visa, Amex and Discover -All on-line transactions with HBA are secure.

It's quick and easy; just to go the registration tab at www. humblebaseball.org and click on the registration link

If you choose not to pay by credit/debit card, checks and cash will still be accepted, but you must complete the registration on-line and forward your form of payment (other than credit card) to Humble Baseball at PO Box 3936, Humble, TX 77347 before the deadlines noted below.

NOTE - SIGNIFICANT LATE FEES WILL APPLY IF YOU CHOOSE TO WAIT UNTIL TRYOUTS TO REGISTER. ENJOY THE DISCOUNT AND REGISTER EARLY!

Registration is open to all children who will be at least 5 years old and not older than 18 as of April 30, 2017

Players in regular league baseball may not play "up" in age.

EARLY REGISTRATION – July 15 – July 31, 2016. Please go to www.humblebaseball.com and follow the links to complete your registration information. Early Registration fees are as follows: \$140, plus participation in League Fundraiser (the sale of 30 raffle tickets at a cost of \$3 each) OR \$220 Buyout with no participation in the League Fundraiser.

REGULAR REGISTRATION – August 1 – August 11, 2016. Please go to www.humblebaseball.com and follow the links to complete your registration information. Cost of regular registration is \$160, plus participation in League Fundraiser (the sale of 30 raffle tickets at a cost of \$3 each) OR \$240 Buyout with no participation in the League Fundraiser.

ON-LINE REGISTRATION WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE AFTER AUGUST 11, 2016

LATE REGISTRATION – Sunday, August 14, 2016 – 11:00 am to 2:00 pm - Lindsay-Lyons Sports Complex, 2310 Atascocita Road, Humble, TX. Late fees will apply at Late Registration, cost of LATE registration is \$180, plus participation in League Fundraiser (the sale of 30 raffle tickets at a cost of \$3 each) OR \$260 Buyout with no participation in the League Fundraiser.

ATTENTION PERSONS INTERESTED IN MANAGING AN HUMBLE BASEBALL TEAM: HBA is currently accepting manager applications for Humble Baseball Teams. All persons interested in managing an HBA Team should register as a potential manager on the registration link at www.humblebaseball.com. You will be notified by August 12 if you have been elected to manage an HBA Team. Please email hba@humblebaseballcom if you have any questions regarding *(Continued on Page 10)*



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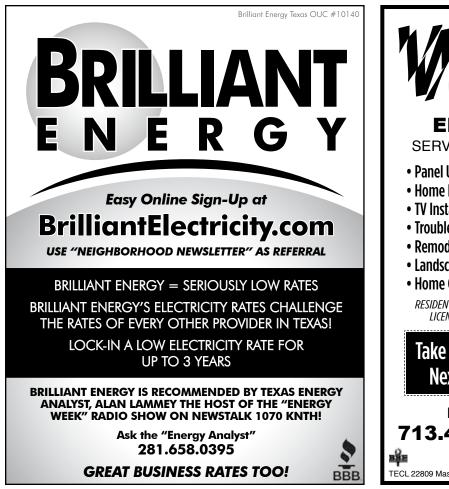
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TRYOUTS FOR LEAGUE TEAMS WILL BE SUNDAY, AUGUST 14 – 11:00 AM TO 2:00 PM @ LINDSAY-LYONS SPORTS COMPLEX, 2310 ATASCOCITA ROAD, HUMBLE, TX SPECIAL NOTICE REGARDING PARTICIPATION IN

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