

Letter from the President



Howdy Hyde Park,

I hope everyone is doing well. Although it's been a pleasant early summer, we are now bound for mid-summer. The guys at Space City Weather define this period as the portion of summer when the highs run between 90 to 95 degrees and the nights are sultry. Could be worse (and it likely will get worse). Two things to consider as we go into mid-summer.

First, it has been 11 years since the last significant, prolonged drought in Texas. Although the guys at Space Center Weather are not predicting that we will see a drought this summer, conditions suggest that we may just avoid it. Second, the typical hurricane season for us gets going in late July. It's not too late to start preparing for hurricane season. Stay safe.

GENERAL MEETINGS

We had a general meeting on Tuesday, May 3rd, with Constable Alan Rosen of Harris County Precinct One as guest speaker. Unfortunately, I was unable to attend the meeting. Doubly unfortunately, we do not have a recap of the meeting since the Secretary position on our Board remains vacant.

Our next meeting will not be until Tuesday, September 6th, at 7 pm at Rudyard's. Hope to see you there!

WHAT'S GOING ON

The HPCA Happy Hour at Boheme was held on May 26th. It was great to see neighbors out enjoying one of the great benefits of this neighborhood – our local bars and restaurants. We are going to do it again this month. Come join us at The Burger Joint on Wednesday, June 22nd, at 6 pm. Feel free to get there earlier or join us later for dinner. And don't forget to grab a milkshake!

Some of you may have seen that the Dolphin Fountain is operating once again. I don't know how this happened after years of pushing the Houston Parks Board, but I am happy, nonetheless. This doesn't change our commitment to improving the experience of using Lamar Park. With Lamar Park Committee Chair, Melissa Zarikian, the Board plans to submit a recommendation for lighting in Lamar Park.

We plan on relaunching our National Night Out festivities in October. In order to make this a successful event, we need volunteers to solicit food and drink donations from local restaurants and bars in the month of September. We will also need volunteers to help with picking up the donations and set-up and tear-down. Please give some thought to volunteering so that we can put on a successful NNO.

Don't forget that Father's Day is on Sunday, June 19th (also Juneteenth)!

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June Events

➤ HPCA Happy Hour

June 22nd @ 6pm

The Burger Joint

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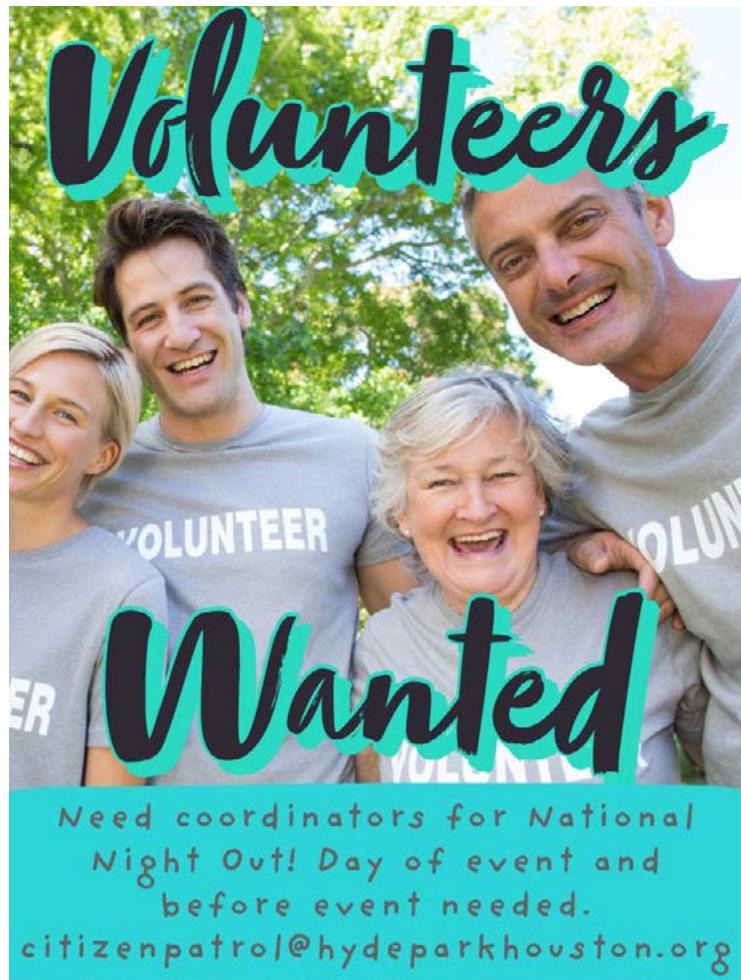
VOLUNTEERS AND BOARD VACANCIES

We remain in need of volunteers for the Hyde Park Civic Association, including vacant roles on the Board and a Membership Committee Chair. If you have any time to give back to our neighborhood by getting involved on the Board or in one of the other volunteer positions is a truly worthwhile endeavor! Reach out to any of us if you are interested. The vacant roles on the Board include Vice President, Secretary, Membership Chair and Volunteer Coordinator.

Stay safe everyone.

See ya,

Chris Delphin, President



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Juneteenth Celebration at Emancipation Park 1880 touched up. A group photograph of thirty-one people at a Juneteenth Celebration in Emancipation Park in Houston's Fourth Ward. Reverend Jack Yates is pictured on the left and Sallie Yates is pictured in the center toward the front in a black outfit. Source Wikimedia Commons.

Honoring Juneteenth?

Quick Facts

Submitted by Heather Almquist

#1 Following the issuing of the Emancipation Proclamation on January 1, 1863, not all enslaved people immediately found freedom.

The Emancipation Proclamation freed slaves in states then in rebellion against the United States. Union troops operating in said states gave teeth to the Proclamation. This, however, did not apply to the border states.

#2 The Civil War ended in the summer of 1865. Union General Gordon Granger and his troops traveled to Galveston, Texas to announce General Orders No. 3 on June 19, 1865. June 19th would go on to be known and celebrated as Juneteenth.

General Orders No. 3 stated: "The people of Texas are informed that, in accordance with a proclamation from the Executive of the United States, all slaves are free. This involves an absolute equality of personal rights and rights of property between former masters and slaves, and the connection heretofore existing between them becomes that between employer and hired labor." Fact #3: Part of General Order No. 3 encouraged the newly freed people to remain with their past owners.

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HPD Crime Reports for March 2022

Submitted by Jim Pollard

| Crime | Date | Address | Location |
|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| All other larceny | 4/3/22 5:00 | 1200 BLOCK WESTHEIMER RD | Speciality Store |
| All other larceny | 4/25/22 10:00 | 1300 BLOCK WESTHEIMER RD | Construction Site |
| All other offenses | 4/8/22 16:00 | 1200 BLOCK W GRAY ST | Residence, Home |
| All other offenses | 4/23/22 10:00 | 1100 BLOCK WESTHEIMER RD | Restaurant |
| Credit card, ATM fraud | 4/23/22 10:00 | 1300 BLOCK WESTHEIMER RD | Restaurant |
| Destruction, damage, vandalism | 4/8/22 17:00 | 1400 BLOCK HYDE PARK BLVD | Parking Lot, Garage |
| Destruction, damage, vandalism | 4/12/22 4:00 | 1400 BLOCK INDIANA ST | Restaurant |
| Destruction, damage, vandalism | 4/12/22 6:00 | 1300 BLOCK WESTHEIMER RD | Bar, Nightclub |
| Destruction, damage, vandalism | 4/14/22 5:00 | 1600 BLOCK HAZEL | Highway, Road, Street, Alley |
| Driving under the influence | 4/10/22 10:00 | 1300 BLOCK W GRAY ST | Highway, Road, Street, Alley |
| Intimidation | 4/29/22 12:00 | 2700 BLOCK MONTROSE BLVD | Restaurant |
| Robbery | 4/11/22 18:00 | 1200 BLOCK WESTHEIMER RD | Speciality Store |
| Robbery | 4/21/22 13:00 | 1100 BLOCK CALIFORNIA ST | Residence |
| Shoplifting | 4/11/22 8:00 | 2500 BLOCK MONTROSE BLVD | Convenience Store |
| Shoplifting | 4/13/22 10:00 | 2500 BLOCK MONTROSE BLVD | Convenience Store |
| Shoplifting | 4/13/2022 | 2500 BLOCK MONTROSE BLVD | Other, Unknown |
| Simple assault | 4/22/22 14:00 | 2700 BLOCK MONTROSE BLVD | Parking Lot, Garage |
| Simple assault | 4/30/22 11:00 | 1300 BLOCK WELCH ST | Residence, Home |
| Theft from motor vehicle | 4/1/22 17:00 | 1300 BLOCK WESTHEIMER RD | Parking Lot, Garage |
| Theft from motor vehicle | 4/2/22 18:00 | 1300 BLOCK WESTHEIMER RD | Parking Lot, Garage |
| Theft from motor vehicle | 4/3/22 22:00 | 1300 BLOCK WESTHEIMER RD | Parking Lot, Garage |
| Theft from motor vehicle | 4/8/22 20:00 | 1300 BLOCK WESTHEIMER RD | Parking Lot, Garage |
| Theft from motor vehicle | 4/8/22 23:00 | 1200 BLOCK WESTHEIMER RD | Parking Lot, Garage |
| Theft from motor vehicle | 4/15/2022 | 1400 BLOCK HADDON ST | Parking Lot, Garage |
| Theft from motor vehicle | 4/25/22 20:00 | 1000 BLOCK WESTHEIMER RD | Restaurant |
| Theft from motor vehicle | 4/29/22 20:00 | 1300 BLOCK WESTHEIMER RD | Parking Lot, Garage |
| Trespass of real property | 4/23/22 14:00 | 2500 BLOCK WAUGH DR | Church, Synagogue, Temple |

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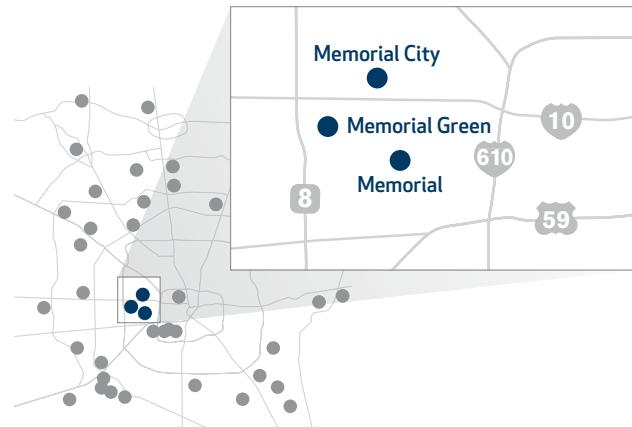
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Juneteenth Facts, *Continued*

#3 The period after Juneteenth is known as the 'Scatter.'

Undeterred by the recommendation to remain in place, many former slaves left the area during the original reading. In the following weeks formerly enslaved people left Texas in great numbers to find family members and make their way in the postbellum United States.

#4 Emancipation Park in Houston was bought specifically to celebrate Juneteenth.

The 10-acre parcel of land was purchased by former slaves, Richard Allen, Richard Brock, Jack Yates, and Elias Dibble for \$800 in 1872.

#5 On June 17, 2021, President Biden signed the Juneteenth National Independence Day Act, which officially made Juneteenth a federal holiday.

This holiday is the first holiday to be approved since President Ronald Reagan signed a 1983 bill that approved Martin Luther King Jr. Day as a federal holiday.

Source: <https://www.battlefields.org/learn/articles/10-facts-juneteenth>