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# The Tealwood Times

## Tealwood Homeowners Association 2011 Annual Meeting

Tuesday, February 22 at 6:00 PM  
Memorial Forest Club - 12122 Memorial Drive  
Refreshments will be provided

Every homeowner is invited to attend and we need as many households as possible to arrive by 6:00 to have a quorum present for the vote. The short business meeting will begin at 6:30 with our guest speakers following at 7:00.

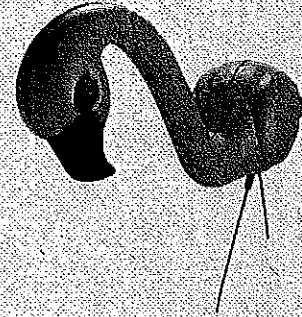
Guest speakers include **Derry Essary**, Mayor of Bunker Hill Village, **Greg Mahannah**, Deputy Constable, Harris County Precinct 5, and a representative for **Oliver Pennington**, Houston City Council District G.

## Flamingo Friday Alert

Friday, April 15  
From 6 to 8 PM

Home of Kathie & Arch Wall  
242 Vanderpool Court

RSVP to Kathie  
(713)465-6216 or katwall46@aol.com



*Flamingo Friday is a casual, adults-only cocktail party hosted by one of our Tealwood neighbors. Everyone brings a appetizer to share and their own choice of beverage. Don't miss out on this opportunity to meet and mingle with some of your neighbors!*

If you enjoy attending Flamingo events, please consider hosting a future Flamingo to reciprocate the hospitality extended to you by previous hosts.

To volunteer, contact Kathie Wall at (713)465-6216 or katwall46@aol.com.

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## President's Message

My term on the Tealwood Board is over so time for reflection and thanks. As the Boy Scout adage goes, I hope we "left it better than we found it." I sincerely enjoyed my four year tour-of-duty. Along the way I had the opportunity to meet many more of my neighbors than I might have otherwise, and for that I am thankful. Many of our fellow neighbors have served over the years and Tealwood is a more elegant and valuable neighborhood because of it. So I encourage you to volunteer for the Board and do your part to contribute to the place you live. There are many on the Board who did work above and beyond this year, and whom often go without individual praise.

Marcela Pinto and the Maintenance Committee members did a marvelous job with landscaping improvements to the entrances and common areas. Through Marcela's efforts, we engaged a new landscaping crew and began a spruce-up campaign. Specifically, the walls surrounding the Gessner entrances were de-cluttered and the brick walls were repaired. Those walls were covered and neglected so long that many neighbors were surprised to know they existed. We planted seasonal plants at the entrance and undertook a "clean up the wall" program along Memorial Drive. Inside Tealwood, we upgraded the sprinkler systems on the common area islands and revitalized the landscaping that had been, let's say dormant, for many years. We have plans to continue upgrading our exterior and common areas for further beautification of Tealwood and our overall mutual benefit.

Christine Rount performed marvelously the thankless job of Architectural Committee chairman. Through her efforts and the entire Committee's work, construction plans for timely approved and neglectful landscaping was individually addressed. We have some remaining work to do regarding clean up, but the Committee will remain persistent until fully addressed. The deed restrictions and the rules we all agreed to live by are there for our mutual benefit. A principal that is often forgotten when we look inward to our own homes, yet demand routinely from our fellow neighbors. Yet through

Christine's diligence and that of her Committee, the restrictions are working as intended ... and for that we all owe her thanks.

From my personal point of view, it has been more rewarding than I had originally anticipated. When first approached by Past President Edwards years ago, my reaction was consistent with those of neighbors that I have subsequently approached. "what, me, are you crazy?" But having served I now realize that like many volunteer engagements, the rewards are many and the work much less than originally feared. So my message in closing is simple Thank you for the opportunity to serve ... since I was the real beneficiary.

*Jim Dunn*

## From the Treasurer

On behalf of the board members, I ask that you promptly pay the invoice for the 2011 maintenance fee that was mailed to you in December. If you did not receive an invoice or the invoice had inaccurate information, please notify me at [john.hoffman@ey.com](mailto:john.hoffman@ey.com).

The maintenance fee for 2011 is \$575. Checks should be made payable to Tealwood Homeowners Association and mailed to the address below.

Please remember that the board is made up of volunteers. In an effort to keep costs down, we do not hire outside administrators (as many boards do). Accordingly, we very much appreciate your cooperation in the collection of these fees.

Thank you very much for your attention in this matter.

*John Hoffman*  
2010 Treasurer

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## 2011 Officer and Director Candidates

Under the Tealwood Homeowners Association Bylaws, President-Elect Steve Shomette will assume the office of President at the annual meeting.

Steve chaired a nominating committee to develop a slate of Officers and Directors for 2011. The nominating committee consists of current officers and other homeowners.

- Steve Shomette, 2010 President-Elect
- Marcela Pinto, V.P. Maintenance
- Christine Routt, V.P. Architecture
- Jere Noerager
- Sally Curtis
- Paco Noya
- Tom Edwards

At the annual meeting, the slate of Officers and Directors will be nominated. Nominations will also be invited from the floor.

### Proposed Slate of Officers and Directors for 2011

Director / President-Elect	Bruce Newell
Director / Secretary	Gregg Gugenheim
Director / Treasurer	Sarah Lambert
V.P. Maintenance	Marilyn Lynch
V.P. Architecture	Christine Routt
Director - 3 Years	Marilyn Lynch
Director - 3 Years	Bonnie van Hook
Director - 2 Years	George Kurisky, Jr.
Director - 2 Years	Travis Harrison
Director - 1 Year	Christine Routt
Director - 1 Year	Jeffrey Gilman

### Appointed Positions

Editor - <i>Tealwood Times</i> & Tealwood.org	Travis Harrison
Social Director	Kathie Wall
Memorial Super Neighborhood 16 Rep	Steve Shomette

## Maintenance Report

*Marcela Pinto*

The Maintenance Committee is pleased to report many improvements around Tealwood thanks to the help of our new landscaping company. Cesar Mota of 3 Kings Landscapers started with his crew at Tealwood in August 2010. Since that time, improvements in the redesign and plantings can be seen at both the Tealwood and Memorial entrances, and the islands on Tamerlaine. All common areas are now on a maintenance schedule to include replanting, fertilizing, trimming back and other general ongoing maintenance issues. Extensive work has been done on the sprinkler system throughout the neighborhood to prepare other areas for more improvements in the future. A special thank you to all the residents that had previously turned on the sprinklers for their help in maintaining the green areas. Thanks to the new timers and sprinklers the system has now been automated and will be controlled by the landscaping crew. Sprinkler work will continue with the help of the City of Houston as the crew addresses minor leaks and repairs throughout the neighborhood. Mr Mota and his crew can usually be seen around Tealwood every Tuesday. They are also available to assist residents with their landscaping needs and can be contacted to discuss and quote individual projects at [cmota3kings@yahoo.com](mailto:cmota3kings@yahoo.com) or (713)269-8798.

## NOTICES

**Maintenance Fees** were due on January 1. If you have not sent yours, please do so as soon as possible.

**Annual Meeting:** Mark your calendar for Tuesday, February 22 at 6:00 PM.

*Thanks!*

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