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SOLD - Alex Lyon

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FEBRUARY



Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

		1 City Council 6:30 PM	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 EDC Meeting 6:30 PM	9	10	11	12  Mancakes
13	14 	15 City Council 6:30 PM	16	17	18	19
20 	21	22	23	24	25	26  Cajun 5K Crawl, Golf Cart Parade \$ Cajun Cook-Off
27	28					

MESSAGE FROM THE *Mayor*



CLS Citizens and Business Owners,

It's 2022 folks, can you believe it? What a year 2021 was and I'm ready for 2022 to be even better. Hopefully most of you were able to enjoy the Holidays with your families and friends even though the COVID was still with us. So, I thought last year's City Christmas Tree Lighting was a spectacular show but I think CLS stepped it up another notch this year and it was even better. The whole tree lighting was great with Santa visiting us and flipping the light switch on to illuminate the tree that was decorated by the Pool and Parks committee. Then we had just a little more fireworks (just a little!) than last year (Graciously donated by PD Asst. Chief Donaldson and Lieutenant Gist. Thank You!). Although it was a little on the warm side for the weather it looks like everyone got to enjoy some hot cocoa (Donated by our neighborhood friends Soul Freak), snacks (donated by CLS Civic Club & Soul Freak) and some great holiday items for the kids and all provided by The City (I think the adults used them more than the kiddos did!). We even had some Christmas caroling to go with along with the activities which was led by Pastor Ben Donnelly of Citymark Church. Oh, and a big shout out for how awesome our very own PW did with Jorge and Odie on all of the decorations throughout the city. I can't wait to do it again at this year's and see the tree lighting celebration as this event continues to grow.

Danial Dror Avenue road construction is finally underway and one side of the road has already been poured with concrete at the time of writing this. This new road basically straightens Hanson Road connecting straight to FM 518 with a four-way intersection. This will ease traffic from the South from Hwy 96 through FM 518 and FM 2094 and open the doors to our local retail like Home Depot, Target, and Specs! Construction of the new Galveston Bay Beer Company which is being placed in the old Strawberry Fields daycare building on FM 2094 is moving right along. The EDC continues to spearhead this project and I thank them for all they have done for bringing this to a reality. The City and EDC has also been looking at the current parking situation in the Town Center and will be making recommendations for additional capacity to accommodate this additional growth. One of these already exists with the creation of the Town Center Shared Parking plan which is controlled by the City with a Memorandum of Understanding agreed upon by all of the Town Center businesses to establish a neutral parking philosophy which allows patrons to park without being concerned with towing unless clearly indicated as such like the two shops west of Soul Freak on Aspen. The EDC is also considering upgrading the two city parking lots to either asphalt or concrete. More to come on that.

In December the City Council voted unanimously for the purchase of five new police vehicles to replenish our fleet as our current fleet has aged greatly and one was lost in a recent accident. The PD did do an intensive comparison with options to purchase versus a fleet lease agreement and after all the dust settled it was found to be better to purchase these vehicles outright due to the great planning of our prior Council in 2015 to adopt a Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) which made the necessary funds with additional Councils to fund possible. These new cars will be 2022 Ford Explorers with a base color of white. New CLS Police graphics have been approved by Council so expect these to be on the street soon keeping our city safe all while providing safe and dependable equipment for our officers. The previous vehicles in use that have reached their service life for the department will be excessed and those funds will then be put back into the CIP for future vehicle purchases to maintain the vehicle fleet.

Are you Ready? Yep, it's time to celebrate The City of Clear Lake Shores 60th Anniversary. The City is underway with selection of a 60th anniversary committee that is assisting in planning all of the activities throughout the year as the City was incorporated December 13, 1963.

Lastly, here are some extra things that we are working on; Submitted a list of possible enhancements to TxDOT at their request for adding lighting on FM2094 (Miller Ave. To Admiralty Way), sidewalks on both sides of FM2094 the same distance, a four-way turnout at Hanson and FM2094, maintenance on drainage structures along FM2094 and upgrade signaling technology at CLR/FM2094 intersection for detecting vehicle present; WCID#12 refurbishment of the water elevated storage and painted; Shell Bottom Park and boat ramp upgrade with Grant from TPWD; new Clear Water Express Wash car wash going in front of Target; and COCO's on the Canal opening up where the Havana Bay Cigar Bar (624 Marina Bay Dr.) was. Also, if you are wondering about all of the work at our local Valero, they are adding Diesel pumps. Be sure to support this local business when you can as I am sure they have lost quite a bit of revenue from all of this construction.

*May God Bless CLS.
Mayor Kurt*

Where every sunset is celebrated and we look forward to every sunrise!
Sit back & Relax with an Island Life & Golf Cart Rides



City of Clear Lake Shores celebrates its 60th anniversary!

On December 13, 1962, the City of Clear Lake Shores was officially incorporated with a reported population of 671 residents. Six decades later, our city has become the home of a strong, thriving, and vibrant community with more than 1,200 residents and over 90 businesses enjoying this slice of paradise. With more boat slips than people, the Yachting Capital of Texas is proud to celebrate 60 years of gorgeous sunsets.

To honor Clear Lake Shores' 60th anniversary, we would like to invite all of our residents, businesses, and visitors to commemorate six decades of history and accomplishments with us!

Throughout the year, the City will share a series of portraits and audiovisual material featuring the City's history, stories of residents, accomplishments, and other unique anecdotes that have made Clear Lake Shores the best place to raise a family, do business and play.

Additionally, the City and the Clear Lake Shores Civic Club will host two major events to celebrate this important milestone with our residents.

On Saturday, April 30, 2022, residents are invited to attend the "60th Anniversary Picnic at Jarboe." During this 1962 throwback theme event, our families will enjoy dancing, delicious food, fun activities for the kids, and unique trivia contests. Also, to continue with our parade tradition, the City is planning a 1960's car parade followed by a car show.

On Thursday, December 8, 2022, the City will wrap up the celebrations by hosting the "60th Anniversary Gala" at the South Shore Resort & Conference Center. Attendees will be able to enjoy this formal event with a three-course meal, music, and audiovisual material featuring 60 years of history. Tickets will be available for sale in spring, 2022. (This will be an adult-only event).

Many of our celebration activities will include 60th anniversary swag that will be given away to the residents of Clear Lake Shores. Also, residents and visitors can purchase branded material online through the Civic Club's website. Our 60th anniversary logo will be featured in all our branded material such as t-shirts, coffee cups, wine glasses, calendars, and more! These sales will be used to fund the upcoming celebrations organized by the City and the Clear Lake Shores Civic Club.

The 60th Anniversary Committee is planning more surprises that will be announced throughout the year on our website and social media outlets. If you want to learn more about our 60th anniversary upcoming activities, please follow the City of Clear Lake Shores on Facebook and Instagram @Cityof CLS. You can also stay connected with the Clear Lake Shores Civic Club by following their Facebook page @ClearLakeShoresCivicClub.

"Clear Lake Shores' 60th anniversary is a time to honor our history, be grateful for our present, and set goals to preserve what we treasure about CLS while we continue to grow," Mayor Otten said. "It is no secret that our city has the best spots to watch the sunset, go fishing, launch your boat, enjoy a golf cart ride, and experience a unique way of living. Let's celebrate six decades together!"

Celebrating
60 YEARS!

19th Annual MANCAKES

Saturday, February 12th

8:30AM -11:00AM@ the Clubhouse



Come enjoy an old tradition For Valentines on the Island where many of the MEN of the Island prepare, cook and serve breakfast

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By: Julie
Moncur

I'm hoping the mild winter we have had so far is a good sign that we won't repeat the harsh winter we had early 2021! I've noted one particular sign. Normally our maple trees have dropped all their leaves by the end of December. But as of early January they are many still hanging on. This is delaying mid winter yard clean up. So I'm guessing the normal mid winter chore schedule will be thrown off by a week or two and I'm adjusting accordingly. I hope like me you are enjoying the sporadic spring like days we had and will continue to be flexible and take advantage!

On to tips...

- Got roses? Except for climbers (which can be pruned most any time), think of pruning around the 14th, or as soon after as possible.
 - Time to transplant mature or established trees and shrubs while they are dormant.
 - Plant bare-root roses, fruit and shade trees, pecans and dormant shrubs. Wait until plants put on new growth before lightly fertilizing with 15-5-10 or a water-soluble fertilizer.
 - Overwatering kills houseplants. Allow soil surface to dry between watering. Use liquid Miracle Grow houseplant food every time you water.
 - Lightly fertilize spring bloomers, including pansies and snapdragons. Again with bloodmeal or 21-0-0.
 - Schedule the first fruit tree spray when buds start to swell but before they start to open. Apply malithion and benomyl for insect and disease control.
 - Plant seeds for an old fashion perennial bed: nasturtium, ageratum, portulaca, sunflower, torenia, and zinnia.
 - To attract butterflies, plant ageratum, phlox, buddleia, salvia, rudbeckia, bee balm and lantana.
 - Divide crowded canna tubers for tall vigorous plants with more blooms.
 - Plant late spring and summer blooming annual seed and perennial plants.
 - Look for bagworms on juniper, cypress and other trees and shrubs. Handpick now to reduce spring population levels.
 - Empty your used tea bags around the base of azaleas and camelli as they will benefit from the acid in the tea leaves.
 - Pot Plumerias near end of the month; move outside on pretty days. For larger Plumerias, sink the pot in the ground; helps them stay upright.
 - Loosen the soil around early spring annuals to insure aeration.
- I have an electric tiller and its a great way to stir up the ground in areas compacted by heavy rains.

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In today's market, many buyers think the trough in rates is over. If you don't get it now, it's just going to be worse later. Rate will be higher, prices will be higher, and maybe inventory selection will be lower.

-Sam Khater
CoreLogic's DEPUTY CHIEF ECONOMIST



CURRENT MARKET

House Price **\$450,000**
Monthly Payment **\$2,929**
Interest Rate **3.5%**
APR **3.784%**

(Price with 10% down)

12 MONTH PROJECTION

House Price **\$472,500**
Monthly Payment **\$3,272**
Interest Rate **4.5%**
APR **4.831%**

(Price with 10% down)

All numbers are estimates only. Please obtain final numbers prior to closing.

LINE UP

12:PM@ JARBOE

END @ OAKIES





2022
Clear Lake Shores
GOLF CART
PARADE

Saturday February 26, 2022

TOP 3

GOLFCARTS

AWARDED PRIZES

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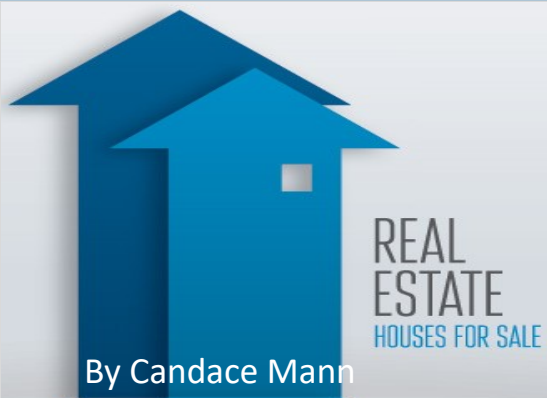


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Real Estate Info for the Island and Lazy Bend

ACTIVE

3 Lot (s)
2 Rentals
3 Homes

PENDING

2 Lot (s)
0 Rentals
3 Homes

SOLD (Last 3 Months)

1 Lot (s)
1 Rentals
3 Homes (\$340K-\$690K)

Hello Island family, here are this months Real Estate Stats for your reading enjoyment.

HOUSTON HOUSING PLOWS THROUGH THE SECOND YEAR OF A PANDEMIC TO ACHIEVE NEW SALES RECORDS

Despite the ongoing health crisis, historically low inventory and rising home prices, consumer demand for housing kept the Houston market buzzing

HOUSTON — (January 12, 2022) — The second year of a global pandemic, dwindling inventory, building supply and labor shortages that slowed home construction, and rising home prices could not prevent the Houston real estate market from turning 2021 into a record year. Consumers never eased up on their demand to buy or rent homes and paid more for them as the supply of housing grew smaller. Single-family home sales surpassed 2020's record volume by more than 10 percent, and total dollar volume soared more than 28 percent to a record \$40 billion.

According to HAR's December/Full-Year 2021 Housing Market Update, single-family home sales for 2021 rose 10.3 percent to 106,229. Sales of all property types for the year totaled 131,041, up 13.3-percent from 2020's record volume and only the third time in history that total property sales surpassed the 100,000 level. Total dollar volume for 2021 shot up 28.2 percent to a record-breaking \$40 billion.

Single-family home sales experienced their third decline of 2021 in December, falling 4.5 percent versus December 2020. However, that was not enough to prevent the market from hitting record-breaking territory. The strongest monthly sales volume registered was among homes priced between \$500,000 and \$999,999, which jumped 41.4 percent year-over-year. Homes in the \$250,000 to \$499,999 range came in second place with a 17.0 percent increase. The luxury market, consisting of homes priced at \$1 million and up, ranked third in sales activity, climbing 8.8 percent.

The median price of a single-family home – the figure at which half of the homes sold for more and half sold for less – established a new historic high of \$319,000 in December. The average price reached the second highest level of all time – \$392,449. Har.com

Clear Lake Shores/Lazy Bend median price was \$545,000!

Fair winds my friends!

Candace Mann

REMEMBER! If you're lucky enough to live by the water, you're lucky enough!



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Library Corner



The December reading was a hit for kids (and adults!) of all ages!



And now at **JARBOE PARK** on **Sunday, February 20th**,
2:00 P.M.



MARDI GRAS READING AND PARTY
WITH KING CAKE!!



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CLEAR LAKE SHORES 15TH ANNUAL ISLAND WIDE GARAGE SALE

Saturday, April 2nd | 8am—2pm

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- Sell or Cook food at the concession stand
- Distribute maps during the sale
- Volunteers sign up by emailing meri.cooney@gmail.com

It cost \$5 to participate in the sale. Register your house sale via the QR Code below (credit cards or PayPal only) OR by dropping the adjacent form with \$5 cash or check in the Civic Club mailbox located at the Clubhouse on Club Ct.



Scan with your
phone camera
to Register and
Pay Online



Registration fee covers
advertising & printing of
maps. All remaining funds
go to supporting the
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CLS 15TH ANNUAL ISLAND WIDE GARAGE SALE REGISTRATION FORM



WANT TO PAY VIA
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DATE: SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 2022 — TIME: 8:00AM-2:00PM

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED AND OPEN THROUGH THE DAY OF SALE.

DEADLINE FOR MAP ADVERTISING IS MARCH 26TH.

YOU CAN WAIT UNTIL THE MORNING OF THE SALE TO REGISTER, BUT YOUR SALE LOCATION WILL NOT BE MARKED ON THE MAP UNLESS REGISTERED BY MARCH 26TH.

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM IF PAYING BY CASH OR CHECK. TURN IN THE FORM, ALONG WITH THE \$5 CASH OR CHECK, TO THE CIVIC CLUB MAILBOX LOCATED INFRONT OF THE CLS CLUBHOUSE ON CLUB CT. REGISTRATION FEES ARE USED TO COVER THE COST OF ADVERTISING AND PRINTING OF MAPS, WHICH WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AT THE ISLAND ENTRANCE TO HUNDREDS OF GARAGE SALE SHOPPERS.

CONTACT PERSON _____
First and Last name

PHONE NUMBER _____
Name & Phone will be kept private and not be included on the map

EMAIL _____
For confirmation purposes only

ADDRESS OF SALE _____
House number, Street name

☐ \$5 CASH
INCLUDED

☐ \$5 CHECK
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___ ELECTRONICS/OFFICE	___ SPORTS EQUIPMENT	___ OTHER: _____	

CLS Fire Hydrant Art

Curtis Hackett - commissioned by
Teresa Plotts in memory of her
dad "Lovey" - 626 Pine



Eric Klusendorf commissioned by
Bill and Kitty Chalfant
Forest & W. Shore



Nancy Lyon - commissioned by
Ezra and Alex Lyon
Pine & Juniper



Clear Lake Shores is still in the lead with the most colorful fire hydrants! Here are eight more that have recently popped up around the island. If you would like to learn more about this project, please contact the Kemah Fire Department at 281-538-5727 or via email robert.swigaa@kemahfire.com. If you are a hydrant artist and your masterpiece has not been showcased in the Islander yet, please email meri.cooney@gmail.com to submit your name and hydrant for future articles.

Photography by Doris Sanders & Editing by Meri Cooney



Curtis Hackett
Clear Lake Rd & Ivy



Eric Klusendorf - commissioned
by Mike Pons - 123 E. Shore



Robin Husband
South Shore & Oak

CLS Fire Hydrant Art

Robin Husband
506 W. Shore



Amy Lynn - commissioned by
Mike & Tina Pantoja - In memory
of Meagan Schaaf and
Mike Collins - 921 N. Shore



Yard of the Month Committee

is looking for members

If you enjoy cruising the island admiring the creative and diverse yards of Clear Lake Shores, then this committee is for you. Most importantly needed is someone who enjoys writing (monthly, bimonthly, or seasonal) articles to highlight for the Islander.

If interested, please email

Meri (meri.cooney@gmail.com) or Nancy (nancyaya14@gmail.com)

Once Upon A Time in Clear Lake Shores

Enjoy, AB

the Islander



VOLUME 10 NUMBER 2

FEBRUARY 24, 1983.

Civic Club met on the regular 2nd Tuesday, February 8th. It was voted on and passed to change our "Annual Spruce Up For Spring" from the month of March to the month of April. For the past two or three years it has rained each Saturday, this being the reason for changing our Clean-Up to the month of April. So, be ready and let's clean-up in April so that our City will be beautiful for Spring and Summer.

Also it was voted on and passed that we have a Chili Dinner on April 16th to celebrate "Annual Spruce-Up For Spring". Everyone get ready for delicious Chili. We will be selling tickets and will let you know what time and all the details in next months ISLANDER.

This was not a Civic Club project, but I would like to mention to you that the Tim Kennedy family benefit was a great success. There were 296 tickets sold. After money donations and ticket sales, the last count that I had was a clear profit of \$ 2,066.66.

Our thanks to Jacinda Blossman and Juanita Vannerson for the two cakes they made and decorated. One was won by Officer Ace Freeman and the other one was won by Forest Johnson, now guess what? thats right they both live on Pine Road in CLS.

This was the happiest day for our City for I know that our people all worked together at this sad time. We want to thank Officer Rick Harris for starting the ball rolling and thanks, again to Darlene Sanders for the ticket sales.

Times like this, we see what kind of friends and neighbors make up our City.

Continued

When times are the saddest, Clear Lake Shores has always banded together. Thanks to all of you.

Please come to our Civic Club meetings, we meet the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 P.M. at City Hall. We need ALL of you.

Inez Regions,
Civic Club President.

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CITY OFFICERS' ELECTION

The City Officers' Election to elect a Mayor and 2 Councilmen will be held on Saturday, April 2, 1983. Your precinct number is 52 and the polling place is City Hall. Voting time is 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

Anyone wishing to make application for having their name placed on the ballot may do so at City Hall through March 2, 1983, if you meet qualifications.

If you have not registered to vote, you may do so at City Hall through March 3, 1983.

Jane Rothwell.

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NOTES FROM FIRE MARSHAL

On February 15 at 10:43 A.M. our record of three and one half months without a fire in our City was broken with the fire at 118 Queen Road. The alarm came in at 10:43 A.M. Lt. Freeman was two blocks away and arrived to see the house explode into a giant ball of fire. I arrived about one minute later and all I saw was a ball of fire. Firemen were on the site within three more minutes laying hose. It was a fast and excellent response by Chief Janoch and his men, but all they could do was cool down the house and other property.

Seabrook Fire Department sent a reserve truck and pumper with seven men to help our twelve (12) men crew and two pumpers. Thanks to those who volunteer to help move the hose and help the firemen. There were four injuries at the fire. Chief Janoch received a dislocated shoulder, the others were minor. All were treated by ambulance personnel on the site.

The fire had been smoldering for one and one-half hours or more and had built up a heat of approx. 1200° or more when it exploded. No one was home at the time of the fire, which we are thankful. If anyone had tried to open a door, they would have been cremated. This all just goes to show you how fast it can happen and how dangerous a fire can be.

Our sympathy goes out to the James Andrews family.

Your Volunteer Fire Department needs more volunteer firemen to help protect your property. Won't YOU help us? Meeting every Tuesday night at 7:30 P.M. at Kemah Fire Station.

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An ordinance was present to Council by the City Attorney, prohibiting the use or sale of fireworks within 5000 feet of the City Limits. A new Flood Control Ordinance was passed by Council February 15, 1983. This ordinance met federal requirements for maintaining City's Federal Flood Insurance program.

A reminder, your dog's 1983 city licenses are due in January. If you have not obtain your tags for this year, be sure and do so. A current certificate of rabies vaccination and \$1.00 fee should be presented to the City Secretary. Only 14 tags were issued last month.

The Mayor and several members of council met with the U. S. Corp of Engineers and representatives from the Texas Dept. of parks and wildlife and the U.S. Marine Fisheries to negotiate permits for protecting South Shore Drive and East Aspen right of ways.

The Mayor announced that the insurance key rate for Clear Lake Shores as established by the State Fire Marshals office has recently be reduced. This will lower fire insurance premiums an average of \$25.00 per house per year.

The Jarboe Bayou Channel markers have been installed by Better Boating Adventures, Inc. a local non-profit organization. Mean low water depth in the channel was report by Admiral Tillinghast to be five (5) feet.

Sincerely,
J. Bruce Blossman
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Fire Dept. (Kemah)	281.538.5727

Utilities

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CenterPoint for electric outage:	800.332.7143
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AmeriWaste, Inc:	281.331.8400
City Web Site:	www.clearlakeshores-tx.gov

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Additional Information:

All applications must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 18, 2022. Any application filed after 5:00 p.m. will not be counted.

Applications must be notarized.

- Applications must not contain blank spaces.
- Incomplete documents can be rejected.
- Applications can be submitted by mail or in person. Per Texas Election Law, "An application filed by mail must be received by the deadline; having a time stamp before the deadline with the application actually arriving after the deadline is not sufficient."
- Applications can also be submitted via email to City Secretary at cstroup@clearlakeshores-tx.gov
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