

East Montrose

Civic Association Newsletter



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July 2022

It is the mission of East Montrose Civic Association to serve the interests of East Montrose, to promote the safety and welfare of its residents, to foster a sense of community, and to celebrate the diversity and uniqueness of the area. These goals are accomplished through the efforts of its volunteers and elected officers.

EMCA 2022 Calendar

General Meetings: 3rd Tuesdays at 7pm unless otherwise noted

Jun / Jul / Aug — No Meetings — Summer Break

9/15 - Home Tour Planning

9/20 - EMCA meeting / Speaker TBD

10/4 - National Nite Out — HPD & Elected Officials

10/? - Home Tour Final Planning

10/8 - Biennial Home Tour (resched due to CV19)

11/15 — EMCA meeting / Speaker TBD

12/6 — Annual Elections/Holiday Party (tentative)

To join Zoom Meetings:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88971684440?pwd=MFFQdUdSSjM2aXFncmV1UGZYT1JXUT09>

Meeting ID: 889 7168 4440

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Area crime reports can be found at the excellent and current www.spotcrime.com.
The City of Houston crime database is almost always out of date.

WE LOVE OUR VOLUNTEERS

Do you like reading the EMCA Newsletter? Do you like meeting neighbors on the EMCA Facebook Page? Do you like the new security patrol and the East Montrose street sign toppers? Have you ever participated in the EMCA National Night Out event or biennial Home Tour event?

None of these East Montrose activities would be possible without neighbors who have stepped up to volunteer their time and talent. Please join me in thanking all of our volunteers especially our committee chairs.

Home Tour Chair — Bill Maxey

Security Committee Chair — Hugo Ovalle

Yard of the Season Chair — Betsy Anderson

We want to give special thanks to our longtime Newsletter Editor, Lee Hudman. After eight years of preparing our exceptional monthly newsletter, Lee is stepping down and leaving the Hood. Lee has been a great asset to East Montrose and we hate to see him go. We wish him all the best in the next chapter of his life.

With the loss of Lee, we have gained a new volunteer. Please welcome, Sofia ("Sophie") Shoaib-Agwan, who has stepped up to take on the ongoing preparation of our East Montrose Civic Association Newsletter. Sophie and her husband Pervez recently moved into East Montrose.

If you are interested in helping out in the community, there are many different opportunities with different levels of time commitments. If you can give 4-8 hours every other year, you could help out with the Home Tour by being a docent. If you can give up to 2 hours up to four times a year, you could deliver newsletters to one area of the neighborhood. To find out about these and other opportunities, contact the appropriate committee chair or any EMCA Board member (contact information below and/or on the last page of the newsletter). You can sign up to volunteer at: <https://www.eastmontrose.org/about-us/get-involved/>

THANK YOU AGAIN TO EACH AND EVERY PERSON WHO VOLUNTEERS TO KEEP EAST MONTROSE A GEM IN THE BIG CITY.

Karen Brohn

EMCA vice-president

2022 EAST MONTROSE HOME TOUR and ART WALK

OCTOBER 8, 2022

HOMES AND ARTISTS NEEDED!

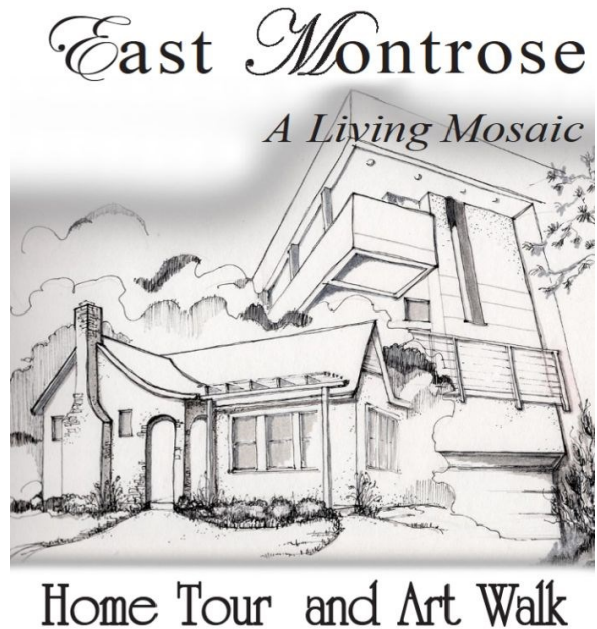
The East Montrose Biennial Home Tour is fast approaching.

The home tour is the main fundraiser for the East Montrose Civic Association.

The Home Tour needs YOU to volunteer for one of the many voluntary positions - ticket takers, docents, etc., but right now we most importantly need HOMES to feature on the tour.

If you would like to volunteer to have your home on the tour, please contact Bill Maxey at bmaxey@mediadesigninc.com

This is also a call for the neighborhood artists that want to be on the Art Walk the same day to open your studio and show your ART to the neighbors and others on the Home Tour. There is no charge and you may even sell work and expand your list of interested art collectors. Contact Joan Son for more Art Walk info at joanson23@gmail.com



From the Editor...

by Lee Hudman



It just seems like yesterday that I moved into East Montrose, yet that was over 20 years ago. I've seen a lot of changes during this time, but I've loved every second that I've lived here in my 1930ish bungalow "Casa de Peden". But, it's time to move on to a different chapter of my life, so I will be moving out of the neighborhood soon. It makes me cry just thinking about moving because Casa de Peden has been my pride and joy. I feel lucky every day to live here. But now I have to consider the future. I plan on working until I drop dead one day showing property to clients, so I likely won't ever fully retire, but I have to be realistic about the future. I will soon be 67, so I need to be prepared for the day that I start leaving body parts in my wake.

I'm not moving far. I'm buying a townhome in an "oasis in the hood" called Forrest Lake, just outside the loop at 290 and Bingle. I normally get a nosebleed every time that I travel outside the loop, but I'm sure that I will survive. My costs will be considerably lower. I won't have to worry about the yard upkeep or exterior maintenance. My mother has lived with me for almost three years and her sister just moved there. I have a good friend that lives there, too. There are also a lot of social activities there that will keep Mom busy. These are all things that will make the move a little more bearable for me.

If everything goes as planned, I will close on my new place later this month. First I have to have a chair-lift installed so that Mom can get upstairs, and I want to make some other minor changes. We will then slowly start moving in to the new place. There is going to be some very upset chihuahuas and one very upset fat rat terrier, but they will have to get over it. I will then make some minor repairs on Casa de Peden before I put her on the market to sell. I will NOT sell her to a builder. It would literally break my heart to see her torn down. Moving away will be hard enough, watching her get torn down would be more than I could bear. I know that I can't control her future much, but I'm going to try. She's made it almost 100 years already!

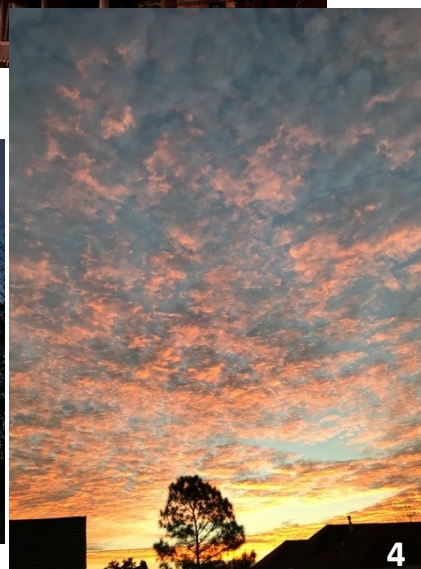
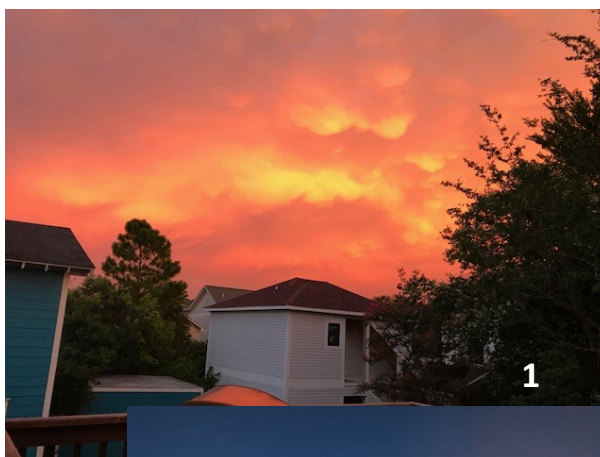
I tried to be as involved as much as I could be in EM over the years. I am a past president of EMCA. I created the Facebook group. I've been the newsletter editor for eight years. I deliver the newsletters on Peden. I've had Casa de Peden on the home tour twice. I'm leaving the newsletter editing in good hands. Sofie Shoaib has generously agreed to take over the duties, so this will be the last edition with me as the editor. Bill Maxey has been co-admin of the East Montrose Facebook page for years, so that is covered as well. *I do need someone to take over my delivery of newsletters once a quarter to Peden and one block of Stanford!*

Living in East Montrose has been a wonderful chapter in my life. I will dearly miss living here, and all of the great friends that I've made. I plan to keep adding my 2 cents worth on the Facebook group, though, unless Bill blocks me from the group!



A bout of Covid keeps a person confined to the house - but there are great things to see in the sky. When we bought this house I told the realtor that we now had just what I wanted: a house with a sunrise and a sunset. Due to electric wires and trees the view of the sunset is difficult - unless we go out onto the street. The sunrises are spectacular. Below are a few good shots of the sky from the house or street:

- 1- Saharan dust reflected in the Eastern sky @ sunset - July 2018
- 2 - Crepuscular rays @ sunrise
- 3 - Sunset showing off a neighbor's house
- 4 - A glorious morning start in East Montrose



If you would like to get more involved in keeping East Montrose a great place to live—then here is your chance!

Volunteers are needed for the following positions:
Block Captains / Clean Up Crew / Home Tour

Please contact EMCA President Mary Quinn at [Presi-
dent.emca@gmail.com](mailto:President.emca@gmail.com) or
EMCA Vice President Karen Brohn at
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Extra printed newsletter copies can be found in the mailbox at Peggy Shiffick Park. Digital PDF versions are on the “files” tab of the East Montrose Facebook page and on Eastmontrose.org. Newsletters are normally printed only four times per year. Digital issues are available every month. Send your name, address and email to treasurer.emca@gmail.com for a PDF newsletter receipt by email each month including print months. Deadlines for newsletter article submissions is always the 20th day of the previous month. Article submissions are always welcome. No self promotion please!

ANDERSON FAIR SUMMER & FALL SCHEDULE

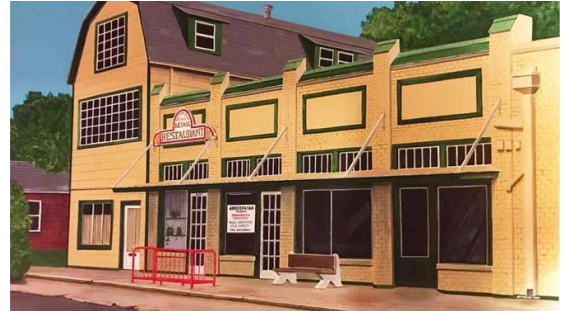
Anderson Fair has been presenting singers and songwriters since 1970. Every summer we take a break from the regular schedule of live music to clean up around the place and prepare for the fall lineup. In this 51st year of business all of July, August and part of September will be devoted to that. Mark your calendars for these coming concerts.

FALL 2022

Friday, September 16 - Amanda Pascali
Friday, September 23 - Albert and Gage
Friday, September 30 - Shake Russell
Friday, October 7 - Pat Byrne
Friday, October 14 - Buddy Mondlock
Friday, October 28 - Lynn Langham & Doug Gill

Doors open at 7:30 and shows start around 8:45
2007 Grant Street, Just off Montrose behind Texas Art Supply.

www.andersonfair.net



All shows are live streamed at no charge, though donations are appreciated. The link is posted the evening of the concert on our website. More info will be announced on the website as more concerts are booked. 2007 Grant Street.

www.andersonfair.net

In the mean time you can learn some history of this iconic venue (right here in East Montrose!) through a wonderful film... For the Sake of the Song: The story of Anderson Fair from Ghost Ranch Films. It is easy to find the trailer online!

Lee Hudman, ABR CLHMS CNE GPA

Your East Montrose Neighborhood Realtor®

Why should you call me when it's time to buy or sell a home or investment property?

- ◆ Fifth-generation native of Houston.
- ◆ Full time Realtor® for 30+ years.
- ◆ Resident of East Montrose since 2002.
- ◆ EMCA President 2006 and 2007

Because I know this city, I know this business, and I know our neighborhood!

CALL ME TODAY at 713-449-1888

I'd love to add your address to this list of homes that I've sold in the neighborhood: 19xx Whitney - 4xx Pacific - 20xx Converse - 24xx Whitney - 7xx Bomar - 24xx Whitney (2nd time) - 9xx Willard - 9xx Bomar - 20xx Converse - 5xx Peden - 24xx Whitney (3rd time) - 10xx Peden - 24xx Whitney (4th time) - 9xx Damon Ct. - 26xx Hopkins - 9xx Welch - 8xx Hyde Park - 25xx Whitney - 4xx Pacific - 5xx Peden (2nd time) - 1x Hyde Park - 9xx Willard (2nd time) - 3xx Bomar—6xx Drew—17xx Grant—8xx Hyde Park—8xx Damon Ct—24xx Whitney (5th time) - 9xx Bomar (2nd time) - 3xx Peden—23xx Mason



Call me or use the media icon links above.



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NOTE: Deadline for submission of newsletter content is ALWAYS the 20th day of the previous month. Email your content to newsletter.emca@gmail.com.

Mayor's Assistance Office: Jack Valinski
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Mike.watkins@houston.tx.gov—832-393-3017

May 2022 Treasurer's Report For the period May 1, 2022—May 30, 2022

Beginning Balance			\$4,846.33
Monies In:	Membership	\$150.00	
	EMCA Sign	\$75.00	
Monies Out	Storage Unit	\$(53.00)	
	Quickbooks	\$(53.30)	
	Paypal Fees	\$(5.08)	
Ending Balance			\$4,949.95
SECURITY			
Beginning Balance			\$53,873.75
Monies In	Security Reserve	\$2,216.00	
Monies Out	PayPal Fees	\$(27.36)	
	S.E.A.L.	\$(1,281.68)	
Ending Balance			\$58,780.71
Combined Ending Bal			\$63,740.66

Total EMCA Members: 153

Total Greater EM Security subscriptions 5/31/22: 165

The treasurer's reporting month is being changed to coincide with the newsletter being created prior to month end.



Join EMCA Today!

Membership is open to neighborhood residents or business owners/operators. Payment of dues will apply to current year.

___ Single or Guest \$15.00 ___ Household \$25.00 ___ Business \$30.00

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Alt. Phone: _____

Email: _____

Mail to: PO Box 131363 Houston, TX 77219

OR pay via PayPal at www.Eastmontrose.org

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The following volunteer positions are currently open:

Block Captains: **OPEN**—block captains are needed for each street in the boundaries of East Montrose

Cleanup Crew: **OPEN**

Home Tour: **OPEN**

Please contact the EMCA Pres or VP to volunteer. We need you!

TRASH COLLECTION SCHEDULE

July 5	Tuesday	Regular Trash & Lawn
July 5	Wednesday	Heavy Trash—TREE WASTE ONLY
July 11	Monday	Regular Trash & Lawn & Recycle
July 18	Monday	Regular Trash & Lawn
July 15	Monday	Regular Trash & Lawn & Recycle
August 1	Monday	Regular Trash & Lawn
August 3	Wednesday	Heavy Trash—JUNK ONLY

This trash schedule comes from the Rollout app and is subject to change. ***holiday schedule / not confirmed

Want to submit an article for the newsletter? Please email your article to newsletter@eastmontrose.org. All submissions are welcome, but submission does not guarantee that the submission will be published.

I would like to help in the following way:

___ **Safety and Security:** Promote safety and security in East Montrose through HPD's Positive Interface Program (PIP), Crime-Out activities, and Citizens Crime Patrol.

___ **Membership:** Encourage membership enrollment, maintain records.

___ **Volunteer:** Database Administrator

___ **Volunteer:** Newsletter Team

___ **Volunteer:** Biennial Home Tour