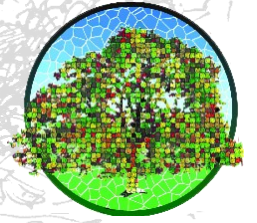


East Montrose

Civic Association Newsletter



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January 2020

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.

I hope that you had Happy Holidays!!!!

East Montrose was full of holiday spirit. If you drove around the neighborhood, you could see the many homes which had been decorated for the holiday. After dark, the holiday lights are aglow. A big thanks to all who decorated and to Bill Maxey for taking photos (see page 2).

We look forward to seeing everyone throughout the New Year!

Make sure to join the East Montrose Civic Association
and participate in the fun throughout the year.

Our first community association meeting is Tuesday, January 21st at 7pm.
Richard Hudson, long time EMCA resident will be speaking about property taxes.

On February 18th, we will meet at Pinot's Palette for a night of painting and fun.
In March/April, we will have a Spring Social.

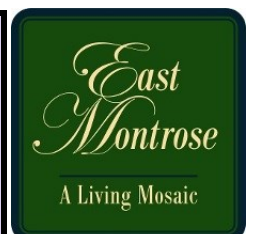
Locations and times TBA

For updated information on all events,
follow us online at <http://www.eastmontrose.org> or on Facebook
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Happy New Year from the East Montrose Civic Association

Have a great day!
Karen Brohn, EMCA Vice-President

Several "East Montrose – A Living Mosaic" signs are still available, if you want one to display on your property. These sturdy signs are \$75 each. Please contact our treasurer Julia Schafer at 281-221-3250 to make your purchase. Julia also asks to remind you that EMCA dues are now up for renewal.



Holiday Lights in East Montrose





50 Years!

ANDERSON FAIR celebrates a long time love affair with singer songwriters



Anderson Fair is on Grant Street behind Texas Art Supply

In 1969 Anderson Fair was founded as a restaurant by partners **Marvin Anderson** and **Grey Fair**. In the early days, patrons would flock to the Fair for a lunchtime meal such as spaghetti or tacos. The club was housed in the Montrose area of Houston which was, at that time, an enclave for artists, free-thinkers, and war protesters. As a result, it was not long before *The Fair* became a gathering place for musicians and artists from the community to come together and talk politics. By 1973, the crowd that frequented the barn-like building on Grant Street began to turn the lunch club's main focus towards live music. Gradually, the venue grew into a destination for singer-songwriters who were willing to perform for an attentive, albeit discerning, audience.

As one of the oldest folk and acoustic music venues in continuous operation in the United States it has been called an "incubator"

of musical talent for the folk scene, especially during the folk music heyday of the 1960s-1980s. Notable performers who credit *Anderson Fair* as an important part of their careers include **Lyle Lovett**, **Nanci Griffith**, **Robert Earl Keen**, **Lucinda Williams**, **Townes Van Zandt** and many more. It has been featured in the documentary, *For the Sake of the Song: The Story of Anderson Fair* directed by **Bruce Bryant** and produced by Bryant and **Jim Barham**.

Anderson Fair puts a premium on music and original lyrics and considers itself a listening room. **Lyle Lovett** is quoted as saying, "Nobody ever made money off of Anderson Fair." And club owner **Tim Leatherwood** has also said, "It's not a business, more like a social club." In the past, *Anderson Fair* has hosted annual block parties in order to raise funds for repairs to the building and for rent payments. Club operations depend on a volunteer staff paid only in tips, and the majority of proceeds from ticket sales go straight to the performers.

The 2020 line up will be announced soon and the club will be open again near the end of January. We are fortunate to have this iconic music venue right here in East Montrose! Make it a resolution to experience our own neighborhood listening room soon.

Some of this information was found on Wikipedia.

Anderson Fair 2020 Schedule

Friday, January 24 - Christy Hays
Saturday, January 25 - Brian Pounds

Friday January 31 - Adam and Chris Carroll
Saturday, February 1 - Michael Fracasso

Thursday, February 6 - Ken Gaines and Wayne Wilkerson
Friday, February 7 - Kimberly M'Carver
Saturday, February 8 - Rebecca Folsom

Friday February 14 - James Steinle
Saturday, February 15 - Mike and Annie Blakely



Inside the listening room before the show.



At the bar with volunteers and proprietor, Tim Leatherwood.



A lovely side room to lounge and visit.

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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.

December Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance			\$12,226.59
Monies In:	Memberships	\$125.00	
	Living Mosaic Sign	\$150.00	
Monies Out	Storage unit	(\$61.00)	
	Spring Social 2020 Deposit	(\$99.00)	
	(@ Pinot's Palette)		
	PayPal Fees	(\$.278)	
Ending Balance:			\$12,338.81

TRASH COLLECTION SCHEDULE

January 1 **	Wednesday	Heavy Trash—Tree waste **
January 6	Monday	Regular Trash & Lawn
January 13	Monday	Regular Trash & Lawn & Recycle
January 20	Monday	Regular Trash & Lawn
January 27	Monday	Regular Trash & Lawn & Recycle
February 3	Monday	Regular Trash & Lawn

This trash schedule comes from the Rollout app and is subject to change.

***holiday schedule / not confirmed



Join EMCA Today!

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

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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

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