

STONE FOREST

Flyer

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Letter from the President

As homeowners will see from the two entrance notice boards the water restrictions have not yet been lifted by Bridgestone MUD and I would counsel everyone to be careful with outside watering and follow the voluntary rationing for which Bridgestone have asked. That is odd & even numbers watering and only water between the hours of Midnight & 10.00 a.m. THAT IS THE CURRENT RESTRICTION, PLEASE FOLLOW IT per the official Bridgestone MUD notices posted at the entrances to Stone Forest.

It is also good practice to only water at night because watering during the heat of the day is wasteful and stressful on the new spring grass. The press and media have published drought maps as this area/Harris County is still under a moderate to severe drought. Just because we have had some rainfall does not mean we are in the clear. We cannot stress this enough as it is in all our interests.

Stone Forest HOA is following the same instructions for the common areas and in fact we are being extra careful

to conserve water not only because of the drought conditions but to conserve expenses. The watering last year was really overkill and when we realized that the developers legacy was to water as often as possible we quickly cut back to a more reasonable plan. It hasn't affected the grass or the monuments and we have saved money.

Some homeowners have complained to the HOA about the detention pond grass growth and lack of cutting. Unfortunately or fortunately, depending on which way you look at it the HOA is not responsible for cutting the grass in the ponds. This is very trying for those of you who back on to the ponds but the Harris County Flood Control are totally responsible for cutting same and they only cut once per quarter at best. There has been a major clean out of the ponds during the fall and winter months in 2011 which should help reduce the animal/rodent population that reside there. The only plus side that I can see is that some of the plant life feed on the mosquitoes.

Most of us have at some time, depending on which way the wind is blowing, experienced the odor that emanates from the meat processing plant on Spring Cypress Road, opposite the entrance to Stone Forest, particularly those houses in that area near the entrance. This plant has been at the same location for at least 30 years so is grandfathered in in terms of zoning. In other words it was there first and Stone Forest was developed knowing full well that the plant was there. There is nothing we can do about it.

I hope you all enjoyed the Easter break and are looking forward to the summer, whatever that will bring. There have been suggestions that this summer will not be as hot as last year but with such a warm winter and spring that may be wishful thinking.

As always the Board is available to discuss any concerns or other matters homeowners may have.

Sincerely,

Bob Wise

President, Stone Forest HOA

Happy

Mother's

Day



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Spring, Texas 77379

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Harris County Health Dept.	www.harriscountyhealth.com
Harris County Precinct #4	www.hcp4.net
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A FOCUS ON PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

Pathway to Improved Health

By Concentra Urgent Care

Being physically active is one of the most important steps you can take to maintain or improve your health. When combined with eating a healthy diet, regular exercise can substantially reduce your risk of chronic disease, prevent weight gain, and improve your overall level of physical and emotional fitness.

HOW MUCH PHYSICAL ACTIVITY DO I NEED?

The U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS) has recently published several recommendations related to exercise:

Any physical activity is better than no physical activity

- Includes people with disabilities
- Far outweighs the possibility of risk of injury or illness

Most health benefits occur with at least 150 minutes a week

• Both aerobic (endurance) and muscle-strengthening (resistance) are beneficial

For most people, additional benefits occur when

- You increase the intensity of your physical activity
- You increase the frequency of your physical activity
- You increase the duration of your physical activity

SHOULD OLDER ADULTS EXERCISE, TOO?

The same HHS guidelines apply, but older adults need to make sure that their fitness level and any chronic conditions allow them to safely perform physical activity. For example, if an older adult is at risk of falling, he should do exercises that maintain or improve his balance.

WHAT IF I HAVE A CHRONIC MEDICAL CONDITION?

If you have a chronic medical condition, you should be under the care of a health care provider. It is important to consult your physician about the type and amount of physical activity appropriate for you.

HOW DO I GET STARTED?

The health benefits of physical activity far outweigh the risks and some activity is better than none. Persons who have not been diagnosed with a chronic condition (such as diabetes, heart disease, or osteoarthritis) and do not have symptoms (e.g., chest pain or pressure, dizziness, or joint pain) do not need to consult with a health care provider prior to starting an exercise program.

For more information on total fitness programs in general, you can contact your health care provider, your Concentra health specialist, or visit the National Safety Council's Web site at: <http://www.nsc.org/>



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**Independence Day, July 4, 2012
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Celebrate Cinco de Mayo AT SPRING FESTIVAL

On Saturday, May 5th, Boys and Girls Country of Houston will host their annual Spring Festival on their campus in Hockley, Texas. Located 35 miles northwest of downtown Houston, Spring Festival is a great way for families to spend the day.

Spring Festival promises to be a huge celebration for community and family with a lively Cinco de Mayo theme. Admission and parking are free, and children's all-day event passes are only \$15 each. Booths will include a number of inflatable rides like King of the Mountain, Shark Slide, and Water Balls; a Slime Machine booth where you can slime your favorite person, and crafting booths for the little ones. There will be three stages with a variety of live entertainment, including Spanish musicians, Gospel singers, and solo artists.

"All of the proceeds of Spring Festival go directly to helping us provide a Home for our children," said George O'Neal, Director of Spring Festival and Community Relations. "This is going to be our largest and most exciting Spring Festival ever with many new additions that add fun and excitement."

For 41 years, Boys and Girls Country has provided a Home for children from families in crisis. They raise 88 children at their main campus and provide support to 55 young adults in their College and Career program. Boys and Girls Country is not a United Way member agency and does not rely on federal or state funding.

DATE

Saturday, May 5, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

TIMES

Live Auction: 1:15 p.m.

Silent Auction: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Lunch: Served 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Barbecue, Chicken Burrito, or
Hamburger/Hot Dog (Adult Plate:
\$8.00, Kid's Plate: \$6:00)

ACTIVITIES

All-Day Kids' Activity Passes:
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