

SUMMERWOOD LIFE

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE SUMMERWOOD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

Spring Festival

Time: **10:00am - 1:00pm**

Date: **04/12/14**



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MANAGEMENT CORNER

Welcome Spring!

If you are all like me, you stopped enjoying the dreary cold winter days a long time ago and are looking forward to some sunshine. Despite the cold of the last few months, the Board of Directors meetings have been very effective with several goals being set.

One of those goals is to improve the lines of communications between the community members, the board members and the management company. One of the first things we did was establish the Manager's Corner in this newsletter. The Manager's Corner will provide you with Association related news and updates.

In March, we started publishing a meeting highlights article. The meeting highlights is a quick read to keep you up to date on all of the interesting business conducted at the meetings. The article is posted on www.summerwoodlife.com and an eBlast is sent out to all registered users as soon as it is available. If you are not registered on the SummerwoodLife website yet, you are missing important community news. Registering will give you access to everything the site offers.

Speaking of www.SummerwoodLife.com, we have heard your concerns about its functionality. The Board is currently investigating options for improvement to make the site more user friendly. As one of the official lines of communication for the Summerwood Community Association, we want it to be easy to use. Over the next few months we will be looking at the site and determining what we can do to make it better for you.

Another new program we are rolling out is a bimonthly resident survey. Each survey will focus on one aspect of Summerwood living. They will be no longer than 20 questions and should take less than five minutes to complete. The surveys will be posted on the Summerwood pages of www.ciaservices.com. Each time a new survey is available, an eBlast will be sent via SummerwoodLife with a link. We want to hear from you so please take the time to complete each survey.

These are great strides towards our goal and we hope to hear from you!

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POOL COMMITTEE

Summerwood Pools

Did you know we have a facebook page?

The pool committee has created a Facebook to better serve our community. Here you can find out valuable information such as: (pool hours, wristband procedures, pool rules, party information, etc). We will also be conducting surveys to gain your thoughts, concerns and opinions. Please join in and help us make our pools the best!



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Summerwood Arbor Day Invitation

Texas will be celebrating Arbor Day on Friday April 25th, 2014 and Summerwood would like to play a role in the beautification of our great state. The Summerwood Beautification Committee (SBC) would like to extend an invitation to all residents to purchase saplings to plant in their yards and pick them up at the central clubhouse on Saturday, April 26th between 9:00 and 4:00.

The SBC and The Spencer Company have chosen Sycamore saplings as the tree for this Arbor Day.

If you would like to participate in Arbor Day but don't have enough room in your yard, we want to encourage you to still be part of this awarding day. You may still purchase a sapling and the beautification committee and/or Spencer will plant it within the community in an appropriate location. Plus you will be acknowledged in the next newsletter for your dedication to making Summerwood beautiful.

If you'd like a sapling but won't be able to pick up the day of the event, please let CIA Service know with your pre-order that either someone else will be picking it up for you or if you need to make arrangements with SBC.

Summerwood is blessed to have many young residents in scouts that want to help in this event. We are honored to have Brownie Troop #9670 and Girl Scout Cadette Troop #9654 present on Saturday April 26th, to help distribute the saplings and provide information on proper and safe planting.

Thank you from the Beautification Committee.



Sycamores are beautiful majestic deciduous trees native to bottomland sites in the eastern two-thirds of Texas. They are valued for their large maple-like leaves and massive, platy white, tan, and brown trunks. Sycamores prefer deep, rich and moist soils, although they will tolerate a wide variety of other soil conditions.

Height: approximately 4 - 5 feet

Cost: \$6 per sapling or 2 for \$10

Payment: Check, money order or cash made out to CIA Services

Pre-Sales are recommended but walk ups with cash or check will be allowed the day of the event as long as trees are available.

Summerwood Beautification Committee 2014 Arbor Day Event

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SUMMERWOOD'S FOOTBALL TEAM

If you've passed by Summerwood Elementary in the evening during the summer and fall, you've probably asked yourself "Who is that football team practicing on the fields?" The answer is Summerwood's very own Redstone Ravens.

The Ravens are a charter member of the Youth Football Federation and have been practicing at Summerwood Elementary for several years. They are a tackle football and cheer organization open to boys and girls from ages 4-12. The football teams are broken out into four different age groups – Freshmen (ages 4-6), Sophomores (ages 7-8), JV (ages 9-10), and Varsity (ages 11-12). The cheerleading squads usually are grouped into two categories – Ages 4 to 8 and 9 to 12.

Both the cheerleading squads and the football teams have experienced success within the federation. The cheerleaders have taken home ribbons at their cheer competitions as well as placed several "alumni" on various middle school cheerleading squads around the area. The football teams have consistently improved over the years and are a perennial playoff contender. In fact, 2013 was a banner year for the organization as the Ravens were

one of only two teams in the entire league that advanced to the Conference Championship Game on every level. The JV and Varsity squads closed out the season with a 7-3 record and a loss in the conference championship game, the Freshmen finished their year with an 8-3 record and a loss in the Super Bowl, and the Sophomores ran out of time at the opponents 5 yard line denying them a Super Bowl Championship and a perfect record thus ending their year at 10-1.

The Ravens will be hosting several football and cheerleading camps over the next couple of months and invite anyone interested to attend. The camps will be held at Summerwood Elementary from 9am to 11am on: April 5th, April 12th, May 3rd, and May 10th. The cost of each camp is \$10/participant. Parents -- this would be a great (and inexpensive) opportunity to give your son or daughter some exposure to the organization and decide whether or not they are interested in participating this fall. You can register online at the team website: www.redstoneravens.com.

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News and Notes

at Woodcreek Middle School

1. Woodcreek has the highest passing rate of all Humble ISD schools. The use of our ZAP (zeroes are not permitted) program during lunch forces kids to each lunch in silence while finish their work in a separate classroom from the cafeteria.
2. The Woodcreek Orchestra won sweepstakes from their UIL competition with the Junior Varsity and Varsity groups receiving perfect scores across the board.
3. The Woodcreek Boys Basketball program won all 4 of the district championships, all four teams going undefeated in the 7th and 8th grade.
4. The Woodcreek Girls Basketball program won the 8th grade A team district championships going undefeated. The rest of the teams finished 2nd in district.
5. Best of luck to our Theater, Band and Choir as they compete for the UIL this week.

Greater Houston Pool Management, Inc.

Hiring and Training Lifeguards

The Greater Houston Pool Management, Inc. team will soon be welcoming Summerwood residents to the 2014 swim season. We look forward to serving you and your guests throughout this summer!

The GHPM team is working hard to hire and train Lifeguards and Pool Managers. This is an excellent opportunity for young adults who live in the Summerwood community! We are always looking for hard-working individuals within the community to fulfill our summer staff needs. We are also actively hiring swim instructors that are looking to have a positive, exciting and skill-building job this summer. They learn important skills such as job responsibility, risk management, customer service and key leadership skills. Opportunities are also available to any adult (especially teachers!) that may also be looking for a rewarding summer job. Applications for employment can be found on our employment website, www.BeALifeguard.com.



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Summerwood Stingrays

Swim Team Registration

The Summerwood Stingrays are a summer-league swim team comprised of children ages four to eighteen who reside in Summerwood, Lakeside Terrace, Lake Shore, Summer Lake Ranch and Water's Edge.

Conceived to foster competitive swimming, good sportsmanship, and the development of teamwork, the Stingrays are excited about launching the 2014 swim season.

Registration will be held at Lakeside United Methodist Church on Thursday, March 27 from 5 pm – 8 pm and on Saturday, April 12 from 2pm – 5pm.

Registration fees are \$135 for the first swimmer, \$110 for the second and \$95 for the third. 15-18 yr olds will be free.

Online registration will be available by going to

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What's Going On at Lone Star College Atascocita Center

We are **hiring part-time faculty** in the following disciplines: Business, History, Humanities, Biology, Accounting, Speech, Engineering, English, Math, Government, Computer Science, and Economics. Visit www.lonestar.edu/jobs and type Atascocita as keyword search. Most positions will begin in August.

Driver's Ed and SAT Prep for High School students is now available at the Atascocita Center. Classes and programs begin in April. SAT Prep starts April 21 and Teen Driver Education starts either April 28, June 2 or June 16. Register now to get a seat!

Get a jump start on your college career! **Summer college** classes begin June 2nd for Summer Term 1 and July 10 for Summer Term 2.



Discovery College for kids is now expanding to 4 weeks in Atascocita and day camps are available beginning July 7. Register early to get a spot! View the schedule and descriptions at lonestar.edu/Atascocita

Need help with your taxes? Free federal income tax preparation by the AARP Tax-Aide Service (the nation's largest free volunteer-run tax counseling and preparation service) is available on Fridays, February 7 – April 11 from 10am until 2pm in Room 224. No age or income restrictions. The Center will be closed on Friday, March 14.

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This Family event welcomes the whole community. Some of the attractions include rock wall, inflatables for all ages, carnival games, favorite food, silent auction, vendor tables and much more.

All proceeds go to Summerwood Elementary Teachers and Students.

For more information on donations or silent auction items please contact Aimee Williams @ lakawillia@outlook.com

For Vendor tables contact Lisa McKay @ lmmckay50@aol.com

Lake Houston Ladies Club

The Lake Houston Ladies Club will have their luncheon meeting on Tuesday February 18, 2014 beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Walden Country Club, 18100 Walden Forest, Humble TX 77346. John Pickul, from the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, speaker for the program, will get us ready for the rodeo with his rendition of the life of a cowboy.

Houston Ladies Club is a social organization that welcomes new members from all surrounding areas to join and offers several avenues for individual interest. They include: Readers Choice, Bridge, Bunco, Mah Jongg, Lunch and Look, Movie Group, Girl's Night Out, Tea Time and Supper Club. Please join us. New members are always welcome. Please call Carol at 832-671-4475 for more information and for reservations call by Friday, February 14, by 5:00 p.m.

Yard of the Month Nominations

The Summerwood Beautification Committee looks forward to receiving residential nominations for a beautiful Summerwood yard that you would like to recognize!

The nominations should be emailed to summerwoodnewsletter@gmail.com and must be received by the 8th of each month. Please include the name and address of the resident and submit a jpeg photo with your nomination.

Photo of the Month

Have you recently taken a great photo of your family enjoying the outdoors in Summerwood? Maybe you have taken a photo of one of our amenities or perhaps a particular landscaped area that you enjoy? We'd love to publish a favorite Summerwood photo!

Please email it to: summerwood.newsletter@gmail.com and include your name and address along with a short paragraph about why the photo is your favorite. The winner will have his/her photo in next month's newsletter!

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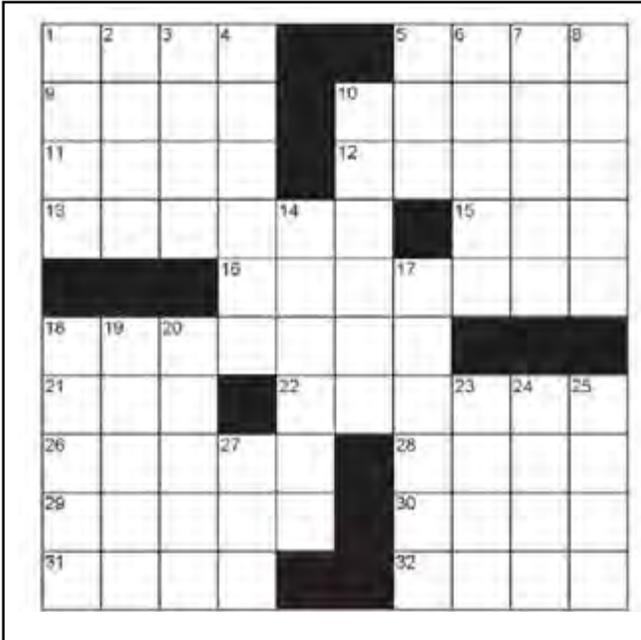
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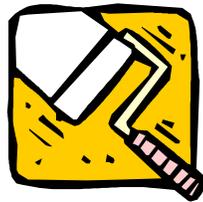
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For those who enjoy a good prank there's no forgetting April Fools. We also have Earth Day to remind us that we should take care of the Earth we're blessed to live on. April is also Jazz Appreciation month and you'll find concerts and festivals taking place all over the area. I think it's safe to say that April just about provides everyone an opportunity to celebrate something.

In the Real Estate community April is known for one more thing... April is the month that home owner's looking to move realize it's time to put their home on the market. If you want to sell a home and then buy another before summer has come and gone you need to act now. Buyer's moving to the area are looking for homes today so that they can likewise settle their families into a home just before or during the summer break.

2013 was a unique year where we saw Real Estate sales at record high's month after month. Though the economic state of Texas is very positive, the local Real Estate market is off by about 16%. The #1 factor leading to the decline in sales is low home inventory. While supply is low we have very high demand. This means one thing to students of economics; prices will rise and they have been steadily doing so the past year.

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