



THE COUNTRY VILLAGE

YOUR COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

SPRING 2018

BRIEF

From The Board:

2018 Annual Meeting

The 2018 Annual meeting was held April 18 at the Briarwood School. In addition to a review of the annual budget, elections were held to replace two Board members who are cycling off the Homeowners Association Board - Nathan Feldspausch and Allen Teague. Elected to the Board for a two-year term were Daniel Wang and Don McWilliams. Once the new Board meets and determines who will occupy the different Board positions, that information will be posted on the Country Village website.

Trash Pickup Details

Trash pickup is on Monday and Thursday. Regular household trash will be collected backdoor. You can place up to four trash cans at the backdoor on any day for pickup. The trashcans must be accessible by VF employees and must not weigh more than 45 pounds. Heavy trash/large item pickup is on Thursday, and these items must be placed at the curb. If you put out something for trash pickup, and it is NOT picked up, then please call VF Waste to



schedule a pickup at your home. Landscape debris such as bagged lawn clippings and bundled limbs/branches must be placed at the curb. Branches must be put in bundles and less than 4 feet in length, 18 inches in diameter, and not weighing more than 40 pounds. You can place up to a combination of 6 of these items at the curb. Recycling will be picked up on Wednesdays. Recycling bin size is 18 gallons, and you can place up to 3 recycle bins at the curb for pickup. Glass is not accepted for recycling at this time in the curb side pickup containers. For a list of acceptable recycling items, please visit

www.vfwasteservices.com/Acceptable-Recycling-Items. Please do not place items at the curb earlier than 6:00pm the day before pickup. Items must be at the curb by 7:00am the day of pickup to ensure they are

collected.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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IMPORTANT NUMBERS/INFORMATION

Management Company: 866-473-2573

RealManage, Manager: Bernadette Aham-Neze 16000 Barkers Point, Suite 250 Houston, TX 77079

Constable: 281-463-6666

Trash Company: 713-787-9790 V.F. Waste Services

www.vfwasteservices.com

Pick up days are Monday and Thursday. We also have

recycling pickup every Wednesday morning. If you need a bin, please email couvilla@ciramail.com and they will contact VF Waste and have a bin dropped off at your home.

Pool: 713-771-7665

Greater Houston Pool Management

Clubhouse Rentals: 281-531-0002 ext. 1303 Call Bernadette Aham-Neze for availability and to request a rental form or via email to: couvilla@ciramail.com. Forms are also available on either our website, www.countryvillagehoa.org or RealManage's portal at www.realmanage.com. Deposit is \$200.00. Rental fee is

Community Website: www.countryvillagehoa.org

2018 Pool Hours

- · Mondays through Fridays Closed
- Saturdays 10:00AM 9:00PM
- Sundays 10:00AM 9:00PM
- Exceptions:
- Monday, May 28th (Memorial Day) 10:00AM 9:00PM

June 1st through August 19th

- Mondays Closed
- Tuesdays 10:00AM 9:00PM
- Wednesdays 9:00AM 8:00PM
- Thursdays through Saturdays 10:00AM 9:00PM
- Sundays 9:00AM 8:00PM

August 20th through September 3rd

- Mondays through Fridays Closed
- Saturdays 10:00AM 9:00PM
- Sundays 10:00AM 9:00PM
- Exceptions:
- Monday, September 4th (Labor Day) 10:00AM-9:00PM

HOA Dues Reminder

If you haven't done so already, please pay your dues as soon as you can.

Yard of the Month Winners!

March Yard of the Month

Winston Li, his mother Susan, and his brother Wilson moved from their home in Spring Branch to Country Village in 2012. Since moving to 1431 Lakecliff, Winston has had a "vision" of how he wants their yard to be. Although the ideas are his, he hires



others to do the work. It's in full bloom and quite beautiful! Winston noted, "I have loved creating a beautiful landscape for my mother and our community to enjoy!"

April Yard of the Month

Congratulations go to Doug and Janette Smith at 1406
Pebble Rock Ct. winners of 2018 April Yard of the Month.
Doug is the one of the few original home owners in
Country Village and has been living here for 43 years. Janette moved here after marrying
Doug 32 years ago. They take



great care of their yard and do all of the gardening themselves. These beautiful Amaryllis have been in their garden for years and were actually transplanted from Janette's childhood home in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate Gary Greene . . .

#1 Brokerage in Houston!*

A CLEAN SWEEP THROUGHOUT THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES:

Listings Taken

30% more than company #2

Listings SOLD!

25% more Listings than company #2

Buyer's CLOSED!

21% more Buyers than company #2

Total Homes SOLD!

31% more homes sold than company #2

Total Dollar Volume SOLD!

34.5% more than company #2

Thank you for choosing us to represent you!



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*Source: HAR MLS Ranking Report for the First Quarter 2018

Neighborhood Events and Activities

Country Village Neighborhood Garden

Country Village has a neighborhood garden at the common area by the swimming pool and clubhouse. During the summer they meet once or twice a week to plant seeds, weed and enjoy each other's company. There is a small fee to join which covers the cost of plants/seeds and anything else needed for the garden. If you would like more information please contact Anna at heinzel@gmail.com.

Area Swim Team

Registration is now open for the Villager Piranhas Swim Team which includes swimmers from 5 area subdivisions. Children are allowed to participate up to age 18. Practice is at the Village Place pool and starts May 1st. Swim meets are mainly in June and end the last weekend of June. Go to www.villagepiranhas.com for more information.

Social Events Committee

If you would like to help plan neighborhood social events like our Easter Egg Hunt, Cookies with Santa and other events open to our community, please contact Amanda at atseiler@comcast.net (713-854-5529) or Corrie at cmkennelly1@comcast.net (281-685-9235.

Gourmet Dinner Club

If you are interested in receiving emails about Gourmet Dinner, please email both Sarah and Amanda as soon as possible so we may add you to the list and you don't miss out on the fun. Sarah's email address is dehaaszoef@sbcglobal.net and Amanda's is atseiler@comcast.net.

This group meets quarterly at a volunteer member's home to enjoy a 4-course meal. Themed recipes are selected by the gourmet committee and prepared by each attending member. Incurred costs for each recipe are reported to Amanda and Sarah before the event and then the total expenses, including wine is shared equally among all attending.

Book Club

The Country Village Book Club meets the 2nd Monday of every month at different member's houses. The book for May will be "The Kings of Big Springs", a memoir by Bryan Mealer of four generations of a Texas family before and during the oil boom in West Texas. The May meeting will be May 14th at Sandy Wake's house.

For June the book will be "The Forgetting Time" by Sharon Guskin, and Amanda will be hosting this meeting.

Please contact Sandy at skwake1@aol.com or 281-496-4147 for additional information.

Women's Club

All women in our neighborhood are encouraged to join the Country Village Women's Club! What a great way to get to know your neighbors, learn about interesting topics, and relax with a glass of wine; and bonus - stay informed about Country Village. We meet the 3rd Thursday of every month from August to April. For additional information please contact Holly Maria Ocampo, hollymaria.flynnvilaseca@gmail.com or Vice President, Anna Heinzel@gmail.com).

COME AND JOIN US AT OUR COMMUNITY EVENTS, MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS AND HAVE FUN!

PLEASE PICK UP AFTER PETS

The HOA Board continues to get complaints about residents walking their dogs and not cleaning up after their pets. Please make sure that you pick up any waste from your dogs when walking them. This helps keep our community as pristine as possible. By taking a few simple steps to clean up after your pet, you can contribute not only to the beautification of our community, but also towards the elimination of one of the most irritating nuisances in a neighborhood. Thank you for your cooperation!



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SECURITY UPDATE



To the residents of Country Village, please make sure that you have the Constables' phone number on your cell phones:

Harris County Precinct 5 - 281-463-6666

We have a Constable substation on Diary Ashford, so response times are very fast. Please call them if you feel something is out of the norm.

If you are not receiving "Security email alerts" and would like to receive them, please send a request to JCKennelly1@gmail.com.

John Kennelly, Security Director

<u>DEED RESTRICTIONS:</u> Remember to always obtain Architectural Control Committee approval before making any changes to the exterior of your home.

Please Help Keep Our Community Beautiful

Every minute a sack of fast-food trash gets thrown from a vehicle's window. Did you know that 33 percent of all littered garbage is fast food waste? Styrofoam containers take many years to decompose. It also takes many years for aluminum cans to biodegrade, of which these make up 28 percent of incorrectly disposed trash. Littering certainly doesn't help the environment but most importantly it hurts humans as well as resulting in the deterioration of our planet. Reversing neighborhood litter and pollutants back to green environments is our challenge.

Littering is letting trash or garbage lie in an open place or area. Litter is not only an eyesore it also has very bad effects. Plastic shopping bags are an example. They have become a big issue as their light weight makes it easy for them to travel in the wind. This kind of litter gets stuck in trees, fences and storm drains. This plastic bag litter also impacts the health of smaller wild animals.

If you see litter in the community, please pick it up and dispose of it properly. It is good practice to recycle the litter you've collected, if at all possible. Visit www.recycleinfo.org/recycling-harris-county.html for recycling centers and whether certain materials should be collected separately, where they should be taken on how they should be disposed.

To protect, save and improve our environment from litter it first starts making observations and changes at home where we live, in our neighborhood and beyond.

Green is possible when we start by cleaning up our own litter. We should be doing this for the good of the earth and its wildlife and humans, as we are the only ones who can make that change. Thank you for helping to keep our neighborhood beautiful.