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*The official newsletter of the Covington Woods community, located in Sugar Land, Texas.*

*Home. Sweet. Home.*

# Covington Woods CHRONICLE

## TRASH COLLECTION PICKUP DAYS

*Trash collection reminder: Monday and Thursday are trash days, recycling day is Monday, green waste day is Monday. Bulk waste day is on the first Monday of each month. Do not leave bulky waste out other than once a month. If you need assistance between then contact Republic Waste and they will provide the extra service for a fee.*

## WHAT CAN I DO ABOUT SOLICITORS IN THE COMMUNITY?

*The City of Sugar Land cannot forbid door-to-door Salespeople, Peddlers, or Solicitors. As a resident or property owner, if you wish to discourage some, you can fill out a form online that advises the City that Peddlers and Solicitors are not welcome and their entry on property at the provided address is forbidden. The form can be found at: [sugarlandtx.gov/formcenter](http://sugarlandtx.gov/formcenter) and by clicking on the link titled: "No Solicitation Registration". More information about solicitation can be found in the Code of Ordinances section within the tab labeled "Government".*

## Integrity...

"We pledge to promote fiscal responsibility for the monies of which the Homeowners have entrusted us to manage. We are committed to being accountable for what we do, when we do it, and how it's done. We advocate an effective exchange which builds a forum for all Homeowners to receive and reciprocate communication directly with the Homeowners Association. Our intent is to manage this Association in a manner that is ethical, accountable, informative, supportive, unbiased, and efficient. We will hold your best interests close to heart because they are also ours."

**-The Covington Woods Homeowners Association**

## 2022 HOA ASSESSMENT DUE JANUARY 31ST

The last day to make your payment for the 2022 annual assessment was January 31, 2022. All past due accounts will be assessed interest in the amount of 10% per annum. A letter will be mailed after February 15th to all homeowners with past due balances. A certified demand letter, and a collection fee being assessed to the account, will be sent after March 15th. All past due accounts will be turned over to the association's attorney for collection after April 15th. The collection process will be pursued to the full extent of the law, including foreclosure if necessary.

- Please write your Covington Woods Community Association, Inc. address or TownSq account number on the lower left corner of your check. Your Customer ID number is shown on the invoice you received in the mail.
- You can make an online payment using the TownSq app. Information on registering for TownSq can be found in this newsletter.

Please make your check payable to Covington Woods Community Association, Inc., and mail it in care of MASC Austin Properties, Inc., 945 Eldridge Road, Sugar Land, TX 77478. If you need to make payment arrangements, please contact Pennie Mancuso at MASC Austin Properties, Inc. at 713-776-1771 or via email [pmancuso@mascap.com](mailto:pmancuso@mascap.com).



### 7 WAYS TO VOLUNTEER

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### STINGRAYS SWIM TEAM

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### 2021 HOLIDAY LIGHTS WINNERS

See who won the 2021 holiday lights contest. Congratulations to all the winners!

# 7 Ways to Volunteer in Your HOA Community

Are you involved with your HOA—not just as a resident and as an owner, but as a volunteer? If not, there's no time like the present to step up to the plate! Not only is volunteerism personally rewarding, but it can also help your community run more smoothly.

Did you know that volunteerism keeps assessments down? It's true. Every hour of work done by a volunteer is an hour of work you don't have to pay a service provider for. In a very real and direct way, then, volunteering in your HOA can really pay off.

## How to Volunteer in Your HOA

Maybe you're not sure of how you can volunteer. There are plenty of options, and if you approach your HOA Board, they'll surely be able to list some specific needs you could address.

To help you brainstorm, here are a few quick suggestions for HOA volunteerism:

1. Try your hand at event planning! Volunteer to plan a social event for the community—a summer barbecue, a holiday gathering, or simply a block party to bring people in the community together.
2. Begin a neighborhood watch program, doing your part to keep the neighborhood safe.
3. Start a community cleanup crew, routinely walking the streets and picking up any trash you see.
4. Volunteer to assist the Newsletter and Website Committee.
5. Serve on an HOA committee! Your Board members will surely have some ideas for how you can do this.
6. Ask your HOA Board members about any big projects that are underway, projects where an extra set of hands might come in handy.
7. Consider running for a position on the HOA Board! That's the best, most effective way you can make yourself an asset to the community.

## There Are Always Ways to Help

Volunteers cultivate unity within the HOA. They make life easier for the Board members and the community manager. They play an active role in preserving property values. Simply put, they make the community a better place to live. There are always ways in which you can help. The first step is just making the decision to get involved. Think about what you can do to help—and if you need suggestions, don't hesitate to talk it over with a member of your HOA Board.

Here are the committees the HOA would love volunteers for:

1. Park Committee
2. ACC Committee
3. Beautification Committee
4. Newsletter Committee
5. Pool Committee
6. Nominating Committee
7. Deed Restriction Committee
8. CW Improvement Committee
9. CW Community Events Committee



## Keep Up With Covington Woods on TownSq

MASC Austin Properties, Inc. would like to remind everyone to make sure they have registered their address on TownSq — a new all-in-one mobile app designed to help you connect, collaborate and stay up to date with your association – any time on any device. To register your account, log onto the following website [www.covingtonwoods.sites.townsq.io](http://www.covingtonwoods.sites.townsq.io), use your account ID (located on the 2022 assessment invoice) and the association zip code (77478). Set your password and account preferences.



## COVINGTON WOODS STINGRAYS SWIM TEAM

Looking for a fun way for your kids to stay cool this summer, spend time with friends and enjoy some friendly competition? If so, then you will be pleased to know registration for the Covington Woods Stingrays Swim Team will soon be open! Early Online registration is available for CW residents and returning CWST Stingrays only from February 15-March 1.



Open registration for all others will begin March 2-May 1. Online Registration is open to boys and girls ages 4 through 18 as of May 31st at [www.cwstingrays.com](http://www.cwstingrays.com).

The Stingray's season consists of 5 Monday night meets (2 home meets and 3 at neighboring pools or vice versa) and weekday practices, thus no weekend obligations. Our Stingrays also participate in an annual Swim-a-thon fundraiser, Finals, All-Stars, and an end of year Awards Banquet. Evaluations for new swimmers and Hope Team is TBD (please visit our website for dates) at the Covington Woods Community Pool, located at 13739 Woodchester (our home field).

Hope Team is a separate program designed to help children, ages 4 thru 8, learn basic swim and water safety. For more information on Hope Team only, please email Martha Bravo at [rickandmarthabravo@yahoo.com](mailto:rickandmarthabravo@yahoo.com).

Any other questions, please visit the Stingray's website at [www.cwstingrays.com](http://www.cwstingrays.com).

### Summer League Water Polo Team

Hello Covington Woods Swimmers and Parents,

To start, Fort Bend Aquatics Club - Crocodile Water Polo received information from the former Kempner HS swim coach (Katie Anselmo) that Fort Bend School District has committed to have 8 local high schools play water polo this upcoming season.

So, this summer, we would like to highlight opportunities for a water polo summer program that all families will enjoy. Another goal is to help our local age group and HS players have fantastic fun and competitive training here in Fort Bend. We hope to have updates in our following newsletter; anyone interested can email [fbaquaticsclub@gmail.com](mailto:fbaquaticsclub@gmail.com) or phone 407-733-7834. The website can be accessed at: [www.fortbendaquaticsclub.com](http://www.fortbendaquaticsclub.com). Currently, we are at FBISD pool; playing and waiting for Don Cook to finish repairs, so please feel free to reach out if you think your child would benefit from having fun and staying fit.

Thank you, Mike Flood - Covington Woods HOA Board Member

## 2021 HOLIDAY LIGHT WINNERS

**BEST CHILDRENS THEME:** 13602 RUNNYMEADE

**BEST RELIGIOUS:** 1107 BARROWGATE

**MOST BEAUTIFUL:** 1118 FAIR ACRES

**BEST LIGHTING:** 1311 BOURNEWOOD

**BEST OVERALL:** 13803 IVYMOUNT

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## 2022 Pool ID Card registration

Please watch for information on pool ID card registration and the 2022 pool schedule in upcoming newsletters, the HOA website and Townsq app as more information becomes available.

## Community Inspections



Community inspections are being conducted monthly, as per usual schedule.



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## Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Do you have a neighbor who goes the extra mile for the residents of your street, your neighborhood, or for the community? The Neighbor of the Quarter recognition program gives you the opportunity to recognize those individuals for their acts of good will and call attention in a positive way to the benefits of being a good neighbor. Your neighbor can be any age or background; he or she may be a youth, a teenager, a senior citizen, a longtime resident, or a newcomer that makes a positive difference in Covington Woods. Whether known by everyone in the neighborhood or an unsung hero, your good neighbor is a person who does special things to make our community a better place. Feel free to send a message to Martha Bravo (rickandmarthabravo@yahoo.com) if you want to nominate your neighbor and why.

**Covington Woods Neighbor(s) of The Quarter**  
*Michael & Ashley Duran*  
 1246 Ravenscourt  
 Residents for 13 ½ years

A little about Michael & Ashley~ married 15 years, both are schoolteachers, and have had the privilege of hosting 7 high school foreign exchange students that attended Kempner HS. They love to travel, grilling on the patio, and car shows! Ashley is an amazing baker too! They are both Southeast Texas Natives but call Sugar Land, TX home sweet home. Things they love about Covington Woods: they appreciate how the COSL takes care of our streets & drainage and that we have THE BEST police department in the area by far! They appreciate the well-kept subdivision and how centrally located we are to the Houston Area. When Ashley wanted to bake but didn't want to have the guilt of eating it, she turned to the Facebook Community Page and asked if any neighbors were craving any special desserts and she started baking away for them! Several neighbors enjoyed her cakes, pies, and cookies. When a neighbor lost his wife, Michael & Ashley got to work and provided a thanksgiving meal for their grieving neighbor and his sons.

Michael & Ashley, thank you for being a part of the Covington Woods Community and helping make Covington Woods a wonderful place to live.  
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