

From The Board:

The Seventh Street Recreation area is waiting for you!

The pool house was in need of a new roof so the BOD took the opportunity to freshen the paint, build benches and make the area around the baby pool safer. There are also tennis courts, a play ground and a picnic area in the recreation area. If it has been a while since you have been by this part of our community, we invite you to make a splash this summer!

Thanks,
Sugar Mill's Board of Directors

Meetings

Meetings are held at:
Sugar Land First United
Methodist Church
431 Eldridge Road
Sugar Land, TX 77478.

Architectural Control
Committee Meetings are
held the second Tuesday
of each month in Room
608 at 7:00PM.

Lake Committee Meetings
are held the second
Tuesday of each month in
room 600 at 6:30PM.

Board of Directors
Meetings are held the
third Monday of each
month in room 600,
(unless otherwise noted)
at 7:00PM.

HOA Annual Meeting is
held the last Tuesday in
March of each year.

For more information,
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Updated Recreation Area!

NEW: ROOF PAINT BENCHES



2014 Pool Schedule

7TH STREET POOL

May weekends: 4th, 11th, 18th

Sunday 12:00 pm- 8:00 pm

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

Saturday 5/24/2014 12:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Sunday 5/25/2014 12:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Monday 5/26/2014 12:00 pm - 9:00 pm

06/01/2014 - 06/08/2014

Saturday 6/01/2014 12:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Friday 6/06/2014 12:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Saturday 6/07/2014 CLOSED

Sunday 6/08/2014 12:00 pm - 9:00 pm

06/09/2014 - 08/24/2014

Mondays 12:00 pm - 8:00 pm

TUESDAYS CLOSED

Wednesdays 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

THURSDAYS CLOSED

Fridays 12:00 pm - 9:00 pm

SATURDAYS CLOSED

Sundays 12:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Exception

Sunday 8/24/14 12:00 pm - 8:00 pm

LABOR DAY WEEKEND

Saturday 8/30/2014 12:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Sunday 8/31/2014 12:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Monday 9/01/2014 12:00 pm - 8:00 pm

PLEASE NOTE: TWO LIFEGUARDS WILL BE ON DUTY AT ALL TIMES POOL IS SCHEDULED TO BE OPEN

LAKE CENTER POOL

May weekends: 3rd, 10th, 17th, 31st

Saturday 9:00 am- 9:00 pm

Sunday 12:00 pm- 8:00 pm

Exception

Sunday 6/01/2014 12:00 pm - 8:00 pm

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

Saturday 5/24/2014 9:00 am - 9:00 pm

Sunday 5/25/2014 12:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Monday 5/26/2014 12:00 pm - 9:00 pm

06/07/2014 - 08/29/2014

Saturday 9:00 am - 9:00 pm

Sunday 12:00 pm - 9:00 pm

MONDAYS CLOSED

Tuesday 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

WEDNESDAYS CLOSED

Thursday 1:00 pm - 9:00 pm

FRIDAYS CLOSED

FOURTH OF JULY

Thursday 7/04/2014 10:00 am - 9:00 pm

Exception

Sunday 8/24/2014 12:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Tuesday 8/26/2014 CLOSED

Thursday 8/28/2014 CLOSED

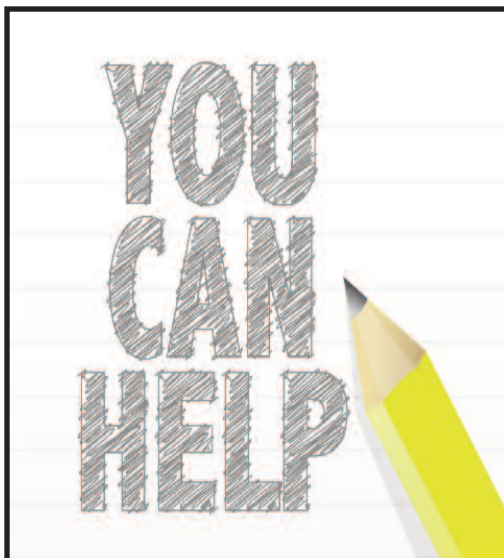
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Want to conserve water? Not sure where to start?

Use the Water Calculator at Home Water Works to quickly estimate how much water your household uses and compares it to a similar average and a highly efficient home. The Water Calculator also shows you where to begin your home water conservation efforts. Details at www.home-water-works.org.

Marion's Fishing Corner

Here comes the sun.....

It feels like summer is finally here. The days are getting longer, and air temps are definitely on the rise. So once again it is time to get serious about protecting ourselves (as much as we can) from the harmful rays of the sun. A few months ago, I wrote about having skin cancer removed from my neck area. Since then, I've had the procedure done again, this time from my left forearm area. Many years of not taking sun protection seriously are taking their toll.

According to research, as many as one in every five Americans will develop skin cancer in their lifetime and of course, summertime is when we run the highest risk of exposure. But there have been some recent innovations in sun protection that should help us lessen the harmful effects. Sunscreen lotions have improved, giving greater UV protection for a longer period of time per application. Many outdoor clothing manufacturers are producing long sleeve fishing shirts with a special fabric coating that provides enhanced UV protection. Also, one company that is well known for producing do-it-yourself clothing dyes, also offers a product that allows you to treat your own clothes with a sun protectant that's washed in while doing the laundry. They claim that treat-

ments last through 20 future washings. We all know that quality sunglasses are essential. Always make sure that the pair you choose to wear while on the water will block 100% of the sun's UV rays. Quality sunglasses don't always have to be expensive.



So this is the time of year to start taking extra precautions. Remember that sun exposure while on the water is more intense than while on land. When you are on the water, not only are you vulnerable to the sun's rays from above, but again as they reflect off the water's surface. So I urge you to take the extra safeguards now, and save yourself a lot of grief later.

Remember to catch and release, now more than ever.....

Good luck, Marion

Article written by Marion Raska who has lived in Sugar Mill and fished on Misty Lake for over 18 years.

Sugar Land Tree Inspections

Sugar Land inspectors are currently inspecting trees along City right-of-ways to ensure compliance with codes and safe access for fire trucks, ambulances and garbage trucks. Almost half the City has been inspected, and completion of the project is expected by September. Violations result in notices to residents to correct trees that create hazards along public streets. Sugar Land residents and business owners are required by City ordinance to trim their trees if public rights-of-way are affected. Properly pruned trees allow large vehicles such as fire trucks, ambulances and garbage trucks to safely navigate City streets with a clear view of traffic. All trees and limbs growing in or near a right-of-way must be trimmed to the regulated height stated by city ordinance: Where the tree overhangs a residential street, there must be a clear space under the tree that is 12 feet above the street surface and 8 feet above the sidewalk surface. Where the tree overhangs a non-residential street with occasional semi-trailer traffic, there must be a clear space under the tree that is 14 feet above the street surface and 8 feet above the sidewalk surface. Courtesy notices are issued to properties found in violation of the ordinance. Staff works with homeowner associations or property management groups to ensure compliance. If violations persist, the Code Enforcement Department will issue notices of violation. Final notices will provide another compliance deadline. Citations to appear in court will be issued for properties that fail to meet compliance deadlines. For questions about maintenance responsibilities, contact the City of Sugar Land Public Works Department at 281-275-2450.

The City of Sugar Land and the Texas State Guard will hold a full-scale hurricane exercise May 30 through June 1. Areas of focus will include mass sheltering, evacuation and hazmat response. Exercise participants will work through scenarios that focus on the following objectives:

- Resource Coordination: determine strengths and weaknesses in the current plan governing on-scene command and control, emergency operations center operations and coordination of response resources.
- Access Control: review plans for area perimeter control, staging and incident command post security.
- Sheltering and Housing of Pets: ensure the safety of people and animals.
- Hazmat Response: Identify and contain chemical release and ensure the safety of surrounding communities.

The Texas State Guard will provide the necessary manpower to create a realistic shelter operation at Wheeler Fieldhouse in Mercer Stadium, 16403 Lexington Boulevard. Partners supporting the exercise include Fort Bend ISD, City of Stafford Emergency Management, Fort Bend County Red Cross and Brazos River Authority. The exercise will result in a large presence of military personnel and equipment, as well as radio traffic simulating a disaster response. The purpose of the exercise is to provide participants with an opportunity to evaluate current response concepts, plans and capabilities. For more details, visit: www.sugarlandtx.gov.

Star Spangled Spectacular

The City of Sugar Land's Fourth of July celebration is scheduled for Friday, July 4, from 7-10 p.m., at Constellation Field, 1 Stadium Drive. The Star Spangled Spectacular at Constellation Field will include traditional patriotic entertainment along the concourse and on the field. Participants may bring blankets to spread out in the outfield and enjoy a variety of free entertainment and the fireworks finale after sunset. Due to the stadium's fire code capacity, free tickets are required to enter the event. A maximum of six tickets per household are currently available to Sugar Land residents through Saturday, June 22. Tickets are available at the Imperial Park Recreation Center, 234 Matlage Way. A driver's license is required to establish proof of residency. Any remaining tickets will be made available to the general public beginning June 23. Tickets will be limited to six per address. Requests for more than six tickets will be placed on a waiting list. Constellation Field provides adequate parking, restroom facilities, multiple entry points and other advantages. Sponsorship opportunities are still available for businesses interested in being a part of the event and showcasing their brand to the residents of Sugar Land. For more information, contact the Sugar Land Parks and Recreation Department at (281) 275-2885 or visit www.sugarlandtx.gov.

Yard of the Month Winner For April!



Yard of the Month - Comments From The Berniards

We have loved living in Sugar Mill for nearly 30 years and hate to leave! We are relocating near Austin, which is where our children live. We've lived here long enough to see our two baby oak trees grow up. We've had the help of landscapers over the years. Now we depend on Kempner grad Josh Zimmerman and his Texas Evergreen company to handle maintenance, annual plantings and new features. We also have the arborists of BIO's Texas Services department check and prune the trees every year. We share the "Yard of the Month" honor with these helpers.

We have enjoyed our yard and will miss it almost as much as our great neighbors in Sugar Mill.

Sue and Charles Berniard, 410 E Hillary Circle

I'll see you around the block,

Your neighbor,
Cheryl Swanson



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Animal Control	281-275-2596



Internet Safety

Fort Bend ISD has a number of programs in place to educate students, parents and staff on how to stay safe. The District website includes information such as Guard Online (Netcetera), which describes ways parents can help their children use the Internet safely. Students in FBISD receive instruction using the district's Internet Safety curriculum a minimum of once per grading period. The District's Internet Safety Policy can also be found in the Parent/Student Handbook. For more information, visit: www.fortbendisd.com.

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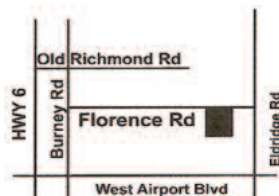
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HOME AWAY FROM HOME

Renting a vacation house offers a lot that hotels or other accommodations often don't provide: keeping your large group together, cooking out and eating family style, and unique amenities such as a private pool or hot tub. Finding the right rental for your group isn't always easy, however. Here are some tips from *The New York Times* and *Frommers.com* to help you make a decision on a rental this summer. **DO YOUR RESEARCH:** These days, there is no shortage of information about available rentals. Sites like *VRBO.com*, *FlipKey* (which is run by *TripAdvisor*), and *HomeAway.com* list thousands of rental homes in North America and across the world. Once you've located a few rentals you like, make sure what you see is accurate.

Check the owner's website, online reviews and comments from past users on sites like *Yelp* or *Facebook*. **IDENTIFY WHAT YOU WANT:** Determine your priorities before you start looking. A beachfront place may be more expensive, but if your family loves the water, it may be worth it. If you know your group is more likely to be out and about and just use the house as a place to sleep, you probably want to go for a less expensive option. **DECIDE EARLY ... OR DON'T:** Good rental properties are tough to find, and that is doubly true if you're heading somewhere during popular vacation times such as Christmas or spring break. So if you locate a place you're particularly fond of, book it as soon as you can finalize your plans. However, if you're the spontaneous type, you can sometimes find big discounts by waiting until the last minute because discounted renters are better than no renters at all for property owners.



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