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**YOUR
COMMUNITY
NEWSLETTER
SPRING 2020**

BRIEF

From The Board:

Dear Neighbors,
We're living in very uncertain times these days with the COVID-19 pandemic, with swift changes from our government at all levels (federal, state, county, city), from our employers, and even from our vendors. These constant and unexpected changes can be very stressful and worrisome, but this can also be a time for us to spend quality time with our families, enjoy the Houston spring outdoors, and take a break from our normal crazy schedules and breathe. We hope you're able to enjoy some of the positive aspects of this unfortunate event.

We're immensely grateful to all the awesome individuals in our neighborhood that have stepped up to organize a plethora of social-distancing compliant events – food trucks, sidewalk chalk obstacle courses, window art hunts and more. If you haven't heard about these events, please join our "unofficial" neighborhood Facebook group "Country Village Houston". Many informal events that are organized by your fellow neighbors are posted there.

To get the latest news from our management company and the Board of Directors, please (1) create a resident portal account at www.realmanage.com/resident-services and add your email address, or (2) sign up for emails at countryvillagehoa.org. Emails can include monthly Board meeting details, emergency change of service notifications (i.e. change in trash/recycling), and more.

Also included in this newsletter is our 2020 pool schedule. We are excited to announce a couple of changes. First, welcome American Pool! They will be providing all our pool services as of April 1st. So far, we've been impressed by their attention-to-detail and responsiveness. We hope you will be too. Second, we've extended the season with weekends in September! This extension has been offset by slightly reduced open hours per day. We think this tradeoff will be worth it. Let's try it for this summer and let us know what you think. The pool is currently scheduled to open on Saturday, May 23rd for Memorial Day weekend, but we will continue to reassess the situation based on city and county guidelines. Please be on the lookout for an update by email and on our website (www.countryvillagehoa.org).

Stay safe and healthy!

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The "Contact Us" form at www.countryvillagehoa.org – emails your message to all the Board members and the management company.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS/INFORMATION

Management Company: 866-473-2573
RealManage, Manager: Bernadette Aham-Neze
 16000 Barkers Point, Suite 250 Houston, TX 77079
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.

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 \$150.00. Rental fee is \$150.00.

Community Website: www.countryvillagehoa.org

Kirkwood Projects Update

Kirkwood Lift Station Diversion and Abandonment update

Phase 1 of the project is currently under construction along the Harris County Flood Control ditch west of Country Village. Phase 2 extending the work into Heathlake towards Carriage Hill will start this summer. The last phase will occur at Kirkwood from the fall of 2020 to the spring of 2021.

Kirkwood Paving and Drainage Project update

The first phase goes from Buffalo Bayou through the Briar Forest intersection. The project was bid last fall. We have been waiting for Public Works to finalize the construction contract and bring it to City Council for approval. We are now expecting this to be on the Council Agenda in April. Construction will start in the second quarter of 2020. A community preconstruction meeting will be announced by the Councilman's office.

Yard of the Month Winners

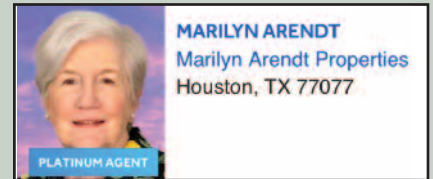


February
Alice and Bobby Hatfield



March
John and Nell Givens

Congratulations to our YOTM recipients and thank you for keeping our neighborhood beautiful. We would also like to extend a special thank you to our sponsor Marilyn Arendt.



Blueberry Basil Blast

BENEFIT: Promotes healthy digestion

One of the most antioxidant rich foods, blueberries are packed with fiber. Combine with basil, a member of the mint family to help ease bloating and improve digestion. The potassium in bananas helps prevent water retention by regulating sodium levels and the specific fiber in bananas helps to restore and maintain regularity.



YOU WILL NEED:

- 1 orange, peeled and de-seeded
- 1 ½ cup of frozen blueberries
- 1 medium banana, peeled and sliced
- 2 cups of almond milk
- 4-6 fresh basil leaves

Combine all ingredients in blender on high until smooth and creamy, 3-60 seconds. Makes 2 servings.

NUTRITION: (per serving) 221 cal, 4g protein, 41 g carbs, 8g fiber, 23 g sugars, 6 g fat, 0 g sat fat, 135 mg sodium

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2020 Pool Information

Due to the evolving COVID-19 situation, the pool opening date is subject to change. Please be on the lookout for an update by email and on our website (www.countryvillagehoa.org).

Saturday, May 23	10:30 AM – 8:00 PM
Sunday, May 24	10:30 AM – 8:00 PM
Monday, May 25 (Memorial Day)	10:30 AM – 8:00 PM

May 30 through August 23	
Mondays	Closed
Tuesdays through Sundays	10:30 AM – 8:00 PM

Saturday, Aug 29	10:30 AM – 8:00 PM
Sunday, Aug 30	10:30 AM – 8:00 PM
Saturday, Sep 5	10:30 AM – 8:00 PM
Sunday, Sep 6	10:30 AM – 8:00 PM
Monday, Sep 7 (Labor Day)	10:30 AM – 8:00 PM

September 12 through September 27	
Mondays - Fridays	Closed
Saturdays and Sundays	10:30 AM – 8:00 PM

NEW POOL SERVICES PROVIDER

Please welcome our new pool services provider, American Pool! Note that our new pool vendor is not staffed to handle homeowner phone calls and emails, please direct all questions and concerns regarding the pool to our management company. Pool access is controlled via key fob. Please contact the management company to acquire a key fob or if your existing key fob is not allowing access.

Pool Safety

Please familiarize yourself with the rules for the Country Village pool, they are designed for all our safety. The entire list is posted at the pool and can also be found online at www.countryvillagehoa.org/pool.html. Based on feedback from the lifeguards from previous seasons, please pay particular attention to the following:

- No running, pushing, shoving, or horseplay on the pool deck. Please ensure the children under your supervision are not running or horseplaying.
- Children requiring diapers must wear swim diapers. A regular diaper breaking in the pool will require the pool to be closed for cleaning.
- No glass containers of any kind are permitted within the pool enclosure. Broken glass in the pool will require the pool to be closed for cleaning.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Hey neighbors!

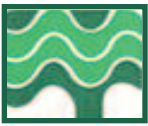
The world is a crazy place right now and we are so thankful to be safely nestled into our little CV community during this time. The kids of the neighborhood are loving all of the different window hunts-thank you to all those participating!

We hope y'all have been enjoying our social distancing events. We love finding small ways to bring a smile to faces & tasty treats to your tables! Huge thanks to Kona Ice, Luchi & Joey's, Hurts Donuts, & Unicorn Snow Cones!! If anyone has a favorite food truck they would like to support, contact us at: cvillagesocialevents@gmail.com and we can look into it!

We are planning to throw a BIG shindig once this whole shelter in place/social distancing thing is lifted, so get ready!! Please reach out if you would like to help.

In other news, **SUMMER** is coming! Our **FOURTH OF JULY PARADE** is next on our official event line-up. We are optimistic & excited to celebrate with everyone! Decorate your bikes, wagons, strollers, wheelchairs-whatever you've got!- with some patriotic decor. The parade will begin around 10am at Mossy Stone and Cedar Pass, ending at the clubhouse and pool. An HFD truck will lead the way! We would love to see as many residents as possible lining the streets to cheer on our courageous firefighters and the kids and parents in the parade. The CV pool will then be open the rest of the day to cool off and relax with new and old friends!

We thank you for supporting our events & hope everyone is staying safe and healthy! Brittany Milward & Laura Payne cvillagesocialevents@gmail.com



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BOOK CLUB MEETING INFORMATION

We ladies have been very disappointed that the Country Village Book Club has not been able to meet face to face for the months of March and April. But that virus is not going to stop all us social butterflies. We have adapted to the situation by doing our meetings by Zoom.

The May meeting will be held again by Zoom on Monday, May 11th at 7:00pm; Corrie Kennelly will be leading the discussion on "Where the Crawdads Sing" by Delia Owens.

Our future reads in order are as follows:

May – "Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine" by Gail Honeyman

June – "Celine" by Peter Heller

July – "The Summer Before the War" by Helen Simonson

We all look forward to getting back to the new normal, whatever that might look like. For more information please contact Sandy Wake at skwake1@aol.com or Amanda Seiler at atseiler@comcast.net.

CARE COMMITTEE

The CVWC has a Care Committee. We send out e-birthday cards and e-congratulations cards. We also mail out cards for condolences. If you wish to have someone added or have yourself added to the list, please do not hesitate to contact us at: cmkennelly1@comcast.net Corrie Kennelly

Security Report

While most of us are under the "stay home work safe" rules that have been implemented by the Mayor and County Judge, the criminal element is doing the opposite. HPD is reporting a significant spike in crime and so-called non-violent offenders are being released from the county jail. It is important for all residents to be on the lookout for suspicious individuals. If you see anything out of the ordinary please call the Constable. It only takes a couple of seconds to call and the Constable can usually respond in a couple of minutes.



Please be safe.
Constable phone number 281-463-6666
John Kennelly