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NOTICE Board Meetings

Glen Laurel's monthly Board Meetings will now generally be held on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm at the Woodbridge Club House.

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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD



Detention Ponds

The present condition of the three detention ponds in Glen Laurel continues to be a point of concern for many residents. Not only is the erosion problem unsightly, it is also becoming dangerous to anyone who ventures too close to the banks. As has been stated numerous times before, the three detention ponds located within Glen Laurel are the property of the Burney Road MUD.

Burney Road MUD consists of a total of 1,183 single family residential lots in the following residential subdivisions: Glen Laurel, Eldridge Lake, Gannoway Lake Estates, Ashford Lakes, and The Reserve at Glen Laurel. Of the 1,183 homes located within Burney Road MUD, 717 are located within Glen Laurel giving our sub-division 61% of the MUD population.

The Burney Road MUD is governed by five Board members, two of which live in Glen Laurel.

Since being elected to the HOA Board two years ago, I have attended several MUD Board meetings to represent the HOA on various issues. During each of these meetings, the topic of the Glen Laurel detention ponds was discussed, but as we can all see, nothing much has changed as far as the appearance of the detention ponds. And the erosion problems have only gotten worse, as erosion problems will if left alone.

During the March MUD Board meeting an engineer company was retained to negotiate a plan with the City of Sugar Land to repair the lakes. During the

discussion with the engineering contractor, the potential price of the repairs was discussed and one board member stated that *if it cost too much to repair the three detention ponds, they could become dry detention ponds.* If you're wondering what a dry detention pond would look like, picture the dry detention pond between Mason Road and Imperial Canyon near the Glen Laurel HOA playground and along Burney Road near West Airport.

I'm not suggesting that it is the wishes of the Burney Road MUD to drain all the detention ponds or this plan will come to fruition, but I am saying that the problems with the three detention ponds should concern every home owner in Glen Laurel, whether you live near the lakes or not. However this problem is solved, it's going to be expensive. But it's important to remember that Glen Laurel pays the majority of the taxes that the Burney Road MUD collects every year. Glen Laurel deserves more than a cheapest, quickest fix for this problem. We should not let someone else decide how our community looks without a voice in the matter.

We need your help

The HOA Board encourages every resident to take an active role in the well-being of our community. Please contact the Board or Sterling Management if you have a suggestion or a comment on improving our community.

As has been stated many times, our HOA, our neighborhood is only as good as the participation of the residents.

Thanks,

Glen Laurel
Board of Directors

COMMUNITY NEWS

Sugar Land Crime Report

Part 1 crimes in Sugar Land increased 3.6 percent last year while the City's five-year trend shows an overall decrease of more than 18.5 percent.

The results were included in the Sugar Land Police Department's 2013 Annual Report. Part 1 crimes include assault, auto theft, burglary, homicide, theft, robbery and auto burglary. The most recent Part 1 data shows Sugar Land's overall crime rate is 40 percent below the state and national averages. The City's violent crime rate compares even better at more than 205 percent below the state and national averages. Sugar Land's violent crime rate dropped 9.4 percent last year and has declined more than 16.6 percent since 2009.

The crime data recently contributed to Sugar Land's selection by CQ Press as the third safest city in Texas and the 19th safest city in the nation, a distinction based on an analysis of FBI crime statistics. Non-violent property crimes, mostly vehicle burglaries and shoplifting thefts, are largely responsible for last year's increase in Part 1 crimes. These crimes increased 4.7 percent, though the City's five-year trend shows an overall decrease of 18.3 percent. The largest increase last year was vehicle burglaries at 30 percent.

For more details, visit: www.sugarlandtx.gov.

COMMUNITY POWER UP PROGRAM



Summer is almost here and with summer comes high energy usage. You are already buying energy so why not save some money and help Glen Laurel while doing it? It's easy to switch, just go to www.glenlaurelhoa.streampowerup.biz and join the other Glen Laurel residents that are benefiting from the Power Up Program and helping our neighborhood at the same time.

Would you like to see a completed walking trail around the lake, additional landscaping beautification projects, a nicer clubhouse where we can actually have inside neighborhood events or eventually our very own tennis courts right here in Glen Laurel??

Sounds like an impossible wish list, right? Well, this can all be possible with the help of every one of you. The great thing is it doesn't require writing a check, fundraising, or going door to door....it just requires one thing - going to the following website: www.glenlaurelhoa.streampowerup.biz and switching your electric provider to Stream Energy.

Each resident that enrolls under Glen Laurel's Power Up program will be helping to contribute thousands of \$'s to our Reserves every single month. We have over 700 homes in our neighborhood and every last resident pays a light bill to some company right now. Why not switch to Stream Energy and take advantage of their incredibly low rates and help make those items on Glen Laurel's wish list a reality at the same time!

It is important to know that anyone can participate in this program, you do not have to be a Glen Laurel resident. For more information call Jennifer at 281-732-9375 and let me help you get signed up today.

Thanks,

Jennifer Fuchs

SIGN UP FOR EMAIL NOTIFICATIONS

Please check the Glen Laurel website to get important information and sign up to provide your email address if you would like to have alerts emailed to you.

Visit www.glenlaurel.net and click on the tab labeled "Email Sign-Up" to receive the notifications.

Signing up for email notifications will also allow you to access the Resident Only section of the website.



END OF SCHOOL YEAR NEIGHBORHOOD BASH!

Friday, June 6th from 6:30p-9:30p at the pool. Come celebrate the end of the school year with your neighbors! Join us as we indulge on hot dogs, hamburgers, and snow cones! And.. party to the music of mobile DJ, Claude Sims! Get ready to do some dancin'!!

Parking will be very limited, so we're asking if possible, please walk.

If you would like to help with this event, please call Jennifer Fuchs @ 281-732-9375.

This night will be a lot of fun - hope to see you all there!



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- 1203 Foster Creek 4,420 SF 4/5-3.5-2 on 1.57 acres
MLS 93001199 Richmond Tx \$549,000
- 13906 Emerald Forest 4,280 SF 5-3/2-2
MLS 66204048 Sugar Land, Tx \$495,000
- 1107 Morning Mist Waterfront 4,325 SF 5/6-3/2-2
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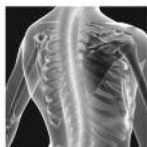
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COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE SUPPORT TEAM

Program Overview

An exciting program offering citizens an opportunity help the SLPD make Sugar Land safer. Interested? Contact the Crime Prevention Unit at 281-275-2578.

The Sugar Land Police Department's CAST is a volunteer group comprised of Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association members who provide support for major incident response, patrol, victim services and police training. CAST members travel in specially marked cars with warning lights and wear distinctive clothing, including polo-style shirts with CAST logos.

In addition to 12 weeks of training in the Sugar Land Citizens' Police Academy, volunteers receive six hours of classroom training and eight hours in the field focusing on the following areas:

Organization and policies
Patrol procedures (traffic laws, driving safety, house watches, citizen contact, etc.). Specialized training is provided on a follow-up basis, as needed
Phone bank procedures
Radio procedures
Special circumstances (such as traffic, crowd control and incident command)

Public safety is consistently ranked as a one of the community top priorities. This program enhances public safety services while indoctrinating the citizens into the operation of the department.

For more information visit www.sugarlandtx.gov.

2104 SWIM SEASON

1. The community pool will open beginning Memorial Day Weekend, Saturday -- Monday, May 24 - 26, 2014.
2. The pool will be open for the regular swim season beginning Saturday, June 6.
3. The pool will be closed most Mondays for cleaning unless after a holiday weekend.
4. Private pool parties may be scheduled but only outside of the swim hours listed below.
5. The pool will be open only when there are lifeguards on duty. Final swim day will be Sunday, September 1.
6. Hours of operation will be as follows:

May 24,25; 31, June 1 *Memorial Day Weekend*

- Saturday: 11AM – 8PM
- Sunday: 11AM – 8PM

Fulltime starting (Saturday) June 7, 2014 – August 24, 2014

- Monday: Closed
- Tuesday: 4PM – 9PM
- Wednesday: 4PM – 9PM
- Thursday: 4PM – 9PM
- Friday: 1PM – 9PM
- Saturday: 1PM – 9PM
- Sunday: 1PM – 8PM

Labor Day Weekend: August 30, 31 & September 1

- Saturday: 1PM – 9PM
- Sunday: 1PM – 8PM
- Monday: 1PM – 8PM

The following requirements must be met in order to receive Pool Tags and use the pool facilities:

1. Must be property owner and resident member of Glen Laurel HOA.
2. **Must have paid current annual maintenance fees in order to receive pool tags.** If renting, you will not receive Pool Tags if the property owner is not up-to-date with maintenance fees. Maintenance fees WILL NOT be accepted at the pool site. Please contact Sterling Association Services to pay.
3. **Must show swim tag and sign in with lifeguard each time you arrive at pool.**
4. May bring up to two guests per family.
5. Children 12 years of age and under must be accompanied by an adult 18 years of age or older.
6. Anyone not following lifeguards' instructions or acting in a disruptive manner may be asked to leave the pool facility.
7. Pool tags are for residents use only and may not be given to or shared with non-residents. Doing so may result in loss of pool privileges.

POOL TAG PICKUP INFORMATION:

If you did not obtain your pool tags on one of the earlier distribution dates, you can get them from Sterling by mailing: GLEN LAUREL HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. 11201 Lake Woodbridge Sugar Land, TX 77498. Please include a check payable to Sterling for \$9.00 per pool tag. Please specify how many pool tags will be needed. Should you have any questions regarding the operation or maintenance of the facility, please contact Sterling at (832) 678-4500.

STAR SPANGLED SPECTACULAR

Friday, July 4
7 p.m. to 10 p.m.
1 Stadium Dr, Sugar Land, TX



Come out and celebrate America's birthday during the Star Spangled Spectacular at Constellation Field on Friday, July 4 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Join Swatson and Moe with a Skeeter's apple pie in the outfield and enjoy a variety of entertainment with a patriotic fireworks finale. The whole family can participate in the various children's games and activities planned throughout the night.

Due to the stadium's fire code capacity, all attendees will be required to present a FREE ticket to gain entrance to the event. Visit www.sugarlandtx.gov for more details.

CITY OF SUGAR LAND'S PET ORDINANCE



This is a friendly reminder that it is against City of Sugar Land ordinance to let your pets (dogs AND cats) to run loose in the neighborhood. We have received complaints that some homeowners are letting their cats in particular live as outdoor cats and these cats are using the bathroom on other neighbors' flower beds and front porches.

Here is the City of Sugar Land Ordinance:

Sec. 3-12. Running at large prohibited.

(a) It is unlawful for an owner or person having control of an animal to allow an animal to be running at large.

(b) It is unlawful for an owner or person having control of an animal to fail to take the acts necessary to prevent an animal from running at large.

(c) It is a defense to prosecution under this section that the animal is:

(1) A specially trained dog that is being used with or without a leash by a blind or deaf individual to aid them within the city;

(2) In attendance at a formal training class and is under the direct supervision of the owner during the entire class.

(3) Within a vehicle being driven or parked; or

(4) Inside a designated off-leash animal recreation area owned or leased by the city.

(Ord. No. 1722, § 1, 12-16-2008)

Please do not violate this city ordinance and let your pets run around the neighborhood.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Emergencies	911
City Hall	281-275-2700
Councilman/Mayor	281-275-2710
Fire Department	281-275-2851
Fire Dept. Non-emergency	281-275-2500
Police Department	281-275-2525
Public Works/Street Lights	281-275-2450
Ordinance/City Code	281-275-2370
Sugar Land Animal Control	281-275-2750
Animal Control Alternate	281-275-2364
Auto Registration	281-341-3710
Crime Stoppers	281-342-8477
Driver's License	281-232-4334
Health Department	281-342-6414
Fort Bend ISD	281-634-1000
Sheriff's Department	281-341-4700
Social Services	281-342-7300
Voter Registration	281-341-8670

Hospitals:

24HR Emergency Center	281-277-0911
Memorial Herman S.L.	281-725-5000
Methodist Health Center	281-274-7000
Oak Bend Medical Center	281-342-2811
S.L. Medical Center	281-274-6600

Misc:

Poison Control	800-764-7661
Sugar Land Library	281-277-8934
Sugar Land Post Office	800-275-8777
Recycling Center	281-342-5226

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HURRICANES: BE PREPARED

To prepare for a hurricane, you should take the following measures:

To begin preparing, you should build an emergency kit and make a family communications plan.

Know your surroundings.

Learn community hurricane evacuation routes and how to find higher ground. Determine where you would go and how you would get there if you needed to evacuate.

Be sure trees and shrubs around your home are well trimmed so they are more wind resistant.

Clear loose and clogged rain gutters and downspouts.

Reinforce your garage doors; if wind enters a garage it can cause dangerous and expensive structural damage.

Plan to bring in all outdoor furniture, decorations, garbage cans and anything else that is not tied down.

Install a generator for emergencies.

Hurricanes cause heavy rains that can cause extensive flood damage in coastal and inland areas.

To learn more about hurricanes and how to protect yourself and your home, visit www.ready.gov and the Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration (NFIP) Web site, www.floodsmart.gov or call 1-800-427-2419.

PROGRESS MADE IN GLEN LAUREL



This is the Burney fence which is still in need of repair. The vote to allow the HOA Board to replace the Burney Road fence with a construction loan has passed. Thank you to all that voted and made this possible. The Board will now start the process of selecting a bank to secure funding so this project can move forward.



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