

# Cobblestone News

## **Spring 2020**

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**Cobblestone Website:** 

www.cobblestoneneighbors.com

#### **Pandemic**

As everyone probably knows, all non essential businesses were asked to close so the Cobblestone Office is closed. Joan is working out of her house and has the office phone diverted to her personal phone. Terry is working a couple of times a week to service the pool, pick up the grounds and take care of urgent matters. He will be masked and keeping his distance from residents.

Power washing, fence replacement and other routine maintenance will have to wait until we are back operating normally.

#### **Pool**

The pool was scheduled to open on May 1st but it will remain closed until further notice.

#### Yard Sale

The Community yard sale that would have been next month will have to be delayed until further notice.

## **Street Repairs**

After waiting in line for months, we were finally able to get some of the streets repaired! We are doing several sections of the roads each year as our budget allows. We are hoping to get a few more sections repaired in the coming months.

## **Lawn Service**

Please do not stop the lawn service while they are on property. If you have a problem, please contact Joan and allow her to correct the problem. If you do not want dirt blown on your car, please move your car for the duration that the lawn service is on property. There is no way they can blow the leaves and debris without getting dirt on vehicles. They are very diligent in going through and blowing off the cars after they are finished with each section. The lawn service is scheduled for every Wednesday, weather permitting.

## **Dues**

Dues are \$157 per month and due on the 1st of each month. They are late after the 10th and a late fee will be charged to your account. Please be sure and put your house number somewhere on your payment so that it gets credited to the correct account. If you are using the Paypal button on our website, please put the address that you are paying dues for in the Instruction section.

Please use our website: www.Cobblestoneneighbors.com
It's a great way to turn in a work order, pay your dues, email property management, find rules & regulations or just voice a concern.

For a copy of the Rules and Regulations, which includes information on fines, either stop by the office or go to our website.

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## **Parking**

The following violations will subject your vehicle to being towed at your expense.

- I) Parking in a reserved parking spot.
- 2) Parking at the office if you are not conducting business there or using the pool.
- 3) Having 3 or more cars on property. Please limit the number of vehicles to 2. Any other vehicles will need to be parked or stored off the property.
  - 4) Parking on the grass or along the streets.
  - 5) Inoperable vehicles.

## Safety

All areas of Shreveport are having trouble with car burglaries, including ours. Please lock your cars after removing any valuables. Keep your doors at home locked as well. If the thieves don't get a "pay day", they quit coming because our subdivision becomes a waste of time. If you see anything suspicious, please contact the Police Department immediately. 673-7300 option 3 or contact our courtesy officer, Frank Leonard, at 318-820-7376.

#### **Mailbox**

Please check your mailbox at least twice a week. The mail carrier is having trouble delivering mail to full mailboxes. If your package is left in the mail locker for 3 days or longer, he will be forced to return it to the sender. Trash

The trash issue is getting better, but still not great! We are still having trouble with the trash being put into the proper containers and taken to the road on Sunday evenings for trash collection on Monday mornings. You must use a city approved trash can and you have to bag your trash before putting it in the can. You cannot leave loose bags of trash outside. The trash collectors may not pick those up. If you have furniture to throw out, you MUST make an appointment with the Bulk Collection Department at Solid Waste. You may then set the furniture out at the curb on the morning of the scheduled pick up. Moving boxes must be broken down and put in recycle. You must return your trash can to your house no later than Tuesday morning.

\*\*You may not store trash in breezeways and on common ground. Cobblestone has a \$100 fine for any resident that dumps loose trash and a \$250 dumping fine for furniture, yard debris and other large items dumped on common ground. If you are a tenant then your landlord will be fined.\*\*

You may request a FREE trash can by calling the City Sanitation Department. Their number is 673-6300. The City will deliver it to your home. Please put your house number on it so if it gets lost, it will find its way back to you. The City has a fee for a second trash can delivered to the same address.

### Homeowners

Please replace or repair your weathered front doors and storage room doors. This is a homeowner responsibility. It always makes your home look nice when there is a fresh coat of paint on the front door and your storage door is either repaired or replaced. Also, remember to keep your back patio cleaned off and clutter free. If your gutters need to be cleaned out, please let the office know and Terry can clean them out for you.

Please have your homes inspected annually for termites and other wood destroying insects. Cobblestone is not responsible for the extermination or for the repair of damage caused by them.

Make sure the shut off valve to your home is in working order. This valve, that is usually found in your flowerbed, controls the water inside your house. If it is not in working order, please contact a plumber and get it fixed. This is not something that Cobblestone pays for.

#### Pete

Please keep your dogs on a leash and clean up after them. There 10 Pet Stations on property that are equipped with bags. There are fines in place for not cleaning up behind your dog.

Make sure your cats and small dogs are put inside so they aren't taken by predators. Coyotes can scale a privacy fence so they are not safe left alone on your patio or roaming loose. Pets should never be left on your patio for extended periods of time.

Please have your pets spayed and neutered. The shelters and rescues are full of unwanted dogs and cats. We are very fortunate to have a low cost Spay and Neuter clinic here in Shreveport. Robinson's Rescue is inexpensive and adjust the price according to your income. You can reach them to set up an appointment at: 318-221-0017.

#### Bees

This is the time of year for bees. You may notice them swarming. They travel in a huddle to protect their queen and will stop on various objects including tree limbs, while in route to a new colony. If the bees remain there for more than a couple of days, please let the office know. However, 99% of the time they will move on the next day. They are just resting.

It is against the law to kill bees. They pollinate our flowers, fruits and vegetables. Without bees, every living creature would soon become extinct.

Watch for small openings into your house around your eaves, chimney, doors, etc. Bees and wasp can get into your walls and from there into your house. If bees get into your walls, they will build a honey comb. If you need help caulking these cracks, let Joan know at the office and she will have Terry come by to help you.