

2018
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NEWSLETTER



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

Home. Sweet. Home.

THE Covington Woods CHRONICLE

TRASH COLLECTION PICKUP DAYS

Trash collection reminder:
Monday and Thursday are
trash days, recycling day is
Monday and bulk waste day is
also on Mondays.

WHAT CAN I DO ABOUT SOLICITORS IN THE COMMUNITY?

The City of Sugar Land cannot forbid door-to-door Salesman, 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 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".

SPRING IS IN FULL BLOOM. HELP THE COMMUNITY - RECYCLE

Wow, it's already May.

Spring is in full bloom. I went back and reread last year's newsletter. So here it is again. The theme of Love and helping others still rings true!! *The old life is gone; a new life has begun.* 2 Corinthians 5:17

Barbara Bush died this past week, what a wonderful woman. She loved all and her Legacy of helping others will last a long time. In the Circle of Life, her 18th grandchild was born the same week.

Flowers are blooming and the grass is growing. We have been working hard on planting new flowers and bushes to make our yard look nice. Our neighborhood, like Fort Bend County, is very diverse-we have residents that have lived here a short while to some that moved in when it was first built.

"A kind word is like a spring day". I live in Covington also. I see houses that need some touch, some need more than others. It's spring, let's start anew. Let's help each other out, help with whatever you can. Mow their yard, fix a fence and possibly clean a rain gutter – let's love each and through that we will all be better together.

Special note: If you need help, write or call us at: covingtonwoodsslhoa@gmail.com or you can call MASC Austin Properties at (713) 776-1771. We will find you some assistance, big problems or little ones – we are all in this together.

Earth Day was April 22, 2018. A special note from my wife. She encourages our community to be conscious about the purpose of recycling to help our neighborhood, community and planet. Each of the homes in the City of Sugar Land were provided with recycling containers that get picked up each Monday in Covington Woods. They are there to collect paper, plastic and metal including aluminum. Materials that would go into the landfill/waste are now brought back into their own circle of life.

Plastic bags from the grocery stores can be recycled at the entrances to most stores or bring them back shopping with you and utilize them again.

Remember this: Reduce, Reuse and Repurpose.

Kelly and Mandy



BOARD UPDATE

We have a great community. Please help keep it clean by recycling.



YARD OF THE MONTH...

is starting up again! Get all the details and make plans to be a winner this year!



COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

We've been busy making some improvements to the neighborhood. Get all the details.

GET TO KNOW YOUR BOARD MEMBERS



Standing left to right: Jameson Frey, Kelly Knake, Courtney Smith; Seated left to right: Sherry Ziegner, Joanne Williams.
Bench is as an addition to Oakmeade cul-de-sac.

Kelly Knake

I am the President of the HOA, a City Board member, a 2 time resident of Covington woods, Realtor and community leader. I love this neighborhood just like all of our Board members, we devote our time and energy for everyone as a whole. I encourage everyone to volunteer in some way, big or small to make this the sweetest neighborhood in Sugar Land.

Joanne Williams

I am a Community Manager at Telfair CA in Sugar Land, with over 25 years managing homeowner associations in California and Texas. I'm serving my third 3 year term on the Board of Directors focusing on property values, safety and neighbor relations encouraging residents to assist their neighbors' quality of life and commitment to our common goals. This is an amazing community and we strive to succeed. You have an opportunity to join us by volunteering for services and events, after all we are a team.

Sherry B. Ziegner

I am the Assistant to Vice President for Administration at Rice University, employed at Rice for 23 years. I've been a Covington Woods resident for 26 years and past Chair of the Neighborhood Watch Committee. My interest for our subdivision is to keep it a safe and pleasant area to reside. We have great accessibility to a variety of retail, restaurants, etc. Our upkeep and improvement to property should be priority for every Covington Woods resident. I am happy to be of service to you as a Board member.

Jameson Frey

I am a Teacher with 29 years in the community. I grew up here and am now a home owner. I like to help keep our community looking good and improve our neighborhood.

Yard of the Month Guidelines

Beginning May 1st and extending through August 1st, homes will be selected each month to be recognized for the efforts of homeowners who take pride in their homes and landscape. Winners will receive a sign placed in the yard and bragging rights for the entire month. Judging criteria includes the overall appearance, tidiness and neatness of front of the property.

General guidelines are as follows:

- Lawns: healthy grass with no bare spots or excessive weeds. Grass is mowed and edged. Grass around foundations, fences, driveways, and sidewalks are trimmed. The yard is free of debris.
- Landscape & flowerbeds: Flowerbeds are free of weeds and edged. Flowers are deadheaded and dead plants are removed. Trees and shrubs are pruned. Use of color and originality/creativity.
- Walkways & driveways: Walkways and driveways are clean and free of debris, dirt, trash, and clutter including containers or yard products or tools.
- Aesthetics: Landscape exemplifies a unified, simple and balanced design that is neat and natural and overall enhances curb appeal.

The following rules will apply:

- Winners must be current with their association dues
- Property cannot have existing deed restriction violations
- Properties are only eligible to win once per calendar year.

The Covington Woods Community Association encourages residents to take pride in their homes and neighborhood. We look to celebrate those who do a superior job in maintaining their yards in such a way that they enhance the overall curb appeal of the entire community.

Happy Gardening!

Sherry Ziegner
Chair, Beautification Committee
Covington Woods Board member

HOLD THE DATE!

Covington Woods will hold our Annual Meeting on Monday, August 6, 2018 at 8 p.m. The meeting will be held at 13743 Woodchester Sugar Land, TX 77498.
(Building next to the swimming pool)

POOL SCHEDULE FOR 2018!

MEMORIAL WEEKEND May 26th, 27th & 28th

Saturday	1 pm – 9 pm
Sunday	1 pm – 9 pm
Monday	1 pm – 8 pm

June 1st - August 19th

Monday	Closed
Tuesday-Sunday	1 pm – 9 pm

June 15th End of School Party

Friday	7 pm – 11 pm
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FOURTH OF JULY

Wednesday	1 pm - 9 pm
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August 2nd Back to School Party

Thursday	7 pm – 11 pm
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August 25th & August 26th

Saturday	1 pm – 9 pm
Sunday	1 pm – 9 pm

LABOR DAY WEEKEND Sept 1st, 2nd & 3rd

Saturday	1 pm – 9 pm
Sunday	1 pm – 9 pm
Monday	1 pm – 8 pm

You can find the pool tag registration form on the website in the Documents section: www.covingtonwoods.net

Covington Wood Stingrays

We are excited for the 2018 season! We thank our Covington Woods Residents for your continued support in driving cautiously around the pool during home meets and other events. During home meets we will have more traffic than usual as these are dual meets and we will be hosting the visiting team. If at all possible, avoid driving near the pool area during these dates to avoid congestion. We will do our best to enforce safety first with NO PARKING signs around the pool and intersecting streets. This year our schedule is as follows:

- 5/3, Thursday Swimathon
- 5/25, Friday Time Trials
- 6/1, Monday Home Meet
- 6/25, Monday Home Meet
- 7/02, Monday Home Meet



Please feel free to walk over to the pool and enjoy our concessions and watch the kids swim their hearts out. If you have any questions, please reach out to Martha Bravo - (713) 885-7200. Go Stingrays!

POOL PARTY!

Join Us for an **End of School Pool Party** and Movie Night Friday, June 15th from 7-11 p.m. Food, chips, drinks & desserts will be provided. Volunteers needed for setup, cooking, and tear down. If you are interested in volunteering, please email: cvaldez@mascapi.com

Community Improvements: Your HOA At Work For You



One of our Board members noticed the concrete in this section of the neighborhood a few months ago, called the problem into the city and got results. It looks nice and is much safer now.



We installed four new picnic tables in the park to replace the old rusted ones.



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 Cindy Valdez, Property Manager
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Kelly Knake

CALL ME FOR ALL REAL ESTATE NEEDS

Sugar Land Homes is pleased to announce that Kelly Knake has joined the staff as a licensed Realtor. He is a board member on several City of Sugar Land committees and is President of his HOA. Kelly has 25 years of sales experience and is ready to put his expertise to work for you.

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Dear Covington Woods neighbor,

I have lived here for over 25 years. I know the housing market here very well. I live here and invest here. If you, someone in your family or a friend is thinking of selling or buying, please give me a call. Let me put my experience and expertise to work for you!

A PERSONAL REFERRAL IS THE GREATEST COMPLIMENT THAT I CAN RECEIVE.

281-635-6081

Apple Tree School



2018-2019 Registration
 (Ages 2- Pre-K)
 April 30 - May 4, 9:00 - 12:00

First Presbyterian Church of Sugar Land
 502 Eldridge Road, 77478
 281-240-3195

City Launches 311 Contact Center

The City of Sugar Land recently enacted 311, to make it easier for every citizen to submit requests to the city. 311 is a single, one-stop point of contact designed to make it easier for residents to know who to contact for assistance with non-emergency, city-related questions, and requests for services and also provides the ability for residents to track the progress of their requests. More details can be found online at the following site:
www.sugarlandtx.gov/civicalerts.aspx?aid=1114