

February 19, 2025

Dear SHSC Members,

Summer is around the corner and the pool will be ready for all to enjoy. Like you and your family, the pool board can't wait for summer to arrive and for the pool to open.

Opening pool day will be May 24.

This year we will have one Pool Beautification Day planned. Duties will include planting, weeding, and landscape trimming. Free guest passes will be handed out to members who come and help on Pool Beautification Day! Feel free to come and go. All materials needed for the Pool Beautification Day will be at the pool, including flowers!

Pool Beautification Day - Saturday, May 17 from 11am - 3pm.

Live Music & Events:

The last few years we enjoyed afternoons and evenings of live music at the pool, and we will continue to host live music again this year. We booked Missy and Jimmy Rea to perform their great poolside music several times over the course of the summer. We will also bring back movie nights and a variety of special events for family fun at the pool.

Guests:

Members are permitted to bring up to 5 guests at a time and the guest fee is \$5 per guest.

Pool Improvements:

The pool board is not currently planning any major capital improvement projects this spring since we completed major projects each of the last two years. However, there are a few smaller projects the board is looking into such as replacing the tennis court lights, patching the parking lot and sidewalk, and putting a new weed barrier down in the landscape tiers between the pool deck and tennis court. As always, the board appreciates hearing from members about ways we can enhance your family's pool experience.

The Southern Hills Pool Board prefers to work with local companies, especially when the local company has ties to the pool. Drop us a note on social media if you or a family member owns or works for a business the pool may want to ask for a bid for future work. Whether it's painting, landscaping, construction or another business, we'd love to hear from you.

Dues:

As we discussed at the end of season meeting, one of the primary roles of the SHSC board is to make decisions in the best interest of the pool and membership. As part of those decisions the financial stability of the pool is crucial to keeping the pool safe and fun for current and future families. Each season the board evaluates the financial landscape and makes what is one of the most difficult decisions of the year. This means that with continued inflation, minimum wage increases and pool chemicals costs, membership dues have increased slightly over last year's

dues. This season membership dues will increase from \$650 to \$675 per family for the 2025 season.

If you're 65 years old or older, with 2 or less people on your membership, your dues will remain at \$650.

Annual Dues: 2025 Season \$675.00

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Membership Renewal Deadline: April 15, 2024.

Payment:

Members who pay online with debt or credit card through www.southernhillspool.com will be charged a 3% transaction fee. The pool absorbed the transaction fee in the past.

If you prefer to pay by check, please drop or mail your check to:

Fritz, Nippes & Associates
2838 S Ingram Mill Rd
Springfield, MO 65804

Pool Hours:

Sunday - Thursday: 11:00am - 9:00pm

Friday - Saturday: 10:00am - 10:00pm

Hours Anytime SPS is in session (excluding summer school):

Sunday: 11:00am - 8:00pm

Monday: Thursday: 4:00pm - 8:00pm

Friday: 4:00pm - 10:00pm

Saturday: 10:00am - 10:00pm

Dana Nippes will return as the Pool Manager; Steve Boyce will return as Swim Team Coach; Heather Hill will return as tennis coach. Look for more information in your next letter about the swim team and tennis lessons.

We are looking forward to a great summer! Can't wait to see you at the pool!

Brian Thomason
President, SHSC