

Hyde Park NEIGHBORHOOD NEWSLETTER

Spring 2020 Edition

UPCOMING EVENTS

SPRING CLEAN-UP: Due to COVID-19, we are unable to schedule our traditional yearly neighborhood cleanup. Residents, if you are able, and as the weather is getting nicer, PLEASE take some time to clean up neighborhood common areas as you are outside to help alleviate the work. This includes making the piles around the neighborhood and moving the piles to the street in mid-May for pickup. Many hands make light work!

Our next board meeting has been scheduled, and will be on Zoom. All residents are welcome to attend.

May Meeting: Wednesday, May 13, 6pm via Zoom

Details about accessing the meeting have been sent to your email.

NEW NEIGHBOR? If a new neighbor moves in next door to you, please help the board out by letting us know. We like to stay in the loop with new neighbors, but with 99 homes in our neighborhood, it can be hard to track!

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MINUTES: You can find our previous board meeting minutes [HERE](#). You may request a paper copy by emailing us at hydeparkhomeowners@gmail.com or by contacting a board member.

DUES MAILING

The board has voted to suspend the \$25 late fee on outstanding dues through the month of August 2020. Do you have outstanding dues that you would like to pay?

Dues can be mailed to:

Hyde Park Homeowners' Association

P.O. Box 13363

Springfield, IL 62791-3363

or left in the Association dropbox located at 33 Sarah.

MEET YOUR HYDE PARK BOARD!

Sam Kloese, President, 20 Hyde Park
Nancy Butcher, VP Grounds, 14 Hyde Park
Cindy Chalkley, VP Pool, 49 Sarah Ave
Melody Kneezel, Secretary, 22 Hyde Park
Marcia Strow, Treasurer, 33 Sarah Ave

POOL NEWS

We are all in this together. As we continue to face an unprecedented public health and safety threat, know that the Hyde Park Board will follow the advice of our state and local health officials. When the officials indicate it is safe to once again gather together, we will proceed with opening the pool. Additional lounge chairs, tables, and chairs have been purchased. Professionals have been hired to prepare the pool and the pool house for opening and repair and paint the interior of the pool house, including the floor and metal doors and trim. We will need homeowners' help in moving all the pool furniture out of the pool house, cleaning the pool house, deck and furniture and installing the pool stairs and basketball hoop. When we are able to proceed, we will let homeowners know the planned dates for these activities and the planned date for opening the pool.

We are looking to hire lifeguards who are interested in working at the Hyde Park pool this summer, when we are able to open. If you are interested in applying, you can find the application [HERE](#). If you have any questions, please contact Cindy Chalkley.

We will again provide the opportunity to schedule a pool party and allow an approved babysitter to take your children to the pool. To request these services, as well as find an updated copy of our Pool Rules, visit [HERE](#).

We ask for your assistance in keeping the pool operating and in unlocking the pool each morning. If you would be willing to serve on the pool team or to unlock the pool doors between 6:00 and 6:30 each morning for a week, please contact Cindy Chalkley. If we all work together, it will be a small task for everyone and provide great enjoyment for all.

Please be safe and take precautions, following the guidance of our public health officials. If at any time you need assistance, please feel free to contact the Hyde Park Board at hydeparkhomeowners@gmail.com.

All the above linked information can be found at www.hydeparkspringfield.net, clicking the "more" tab on the top menu, and selecting "Pool and Grounds Information."

Cindy Chalkley, VP Pool
217-414-8452

GROUNDS NEWS

CITY-WIDE BRANCH PICK-UP The city's spring branch pick-up starts the week of May 4. Each neighborhood will receive one (1) pick-up. The spring pick-up schedule is pre-set and crews will work in specified areas of the city each week. Crews will pass through an area only once.

As a reminder, the city's branch pick-up is a different program from the city's yard waste pick-up program. The branch pick-up program only occurs twice a year.

Following is the spring branch pick-up schedule:

- Southeast area - branches set out by 7:00am the morning of May 18

Residents may drop off branches to Evans Recycling with proof of residency for free until March 2021. This service is for city residents only and not for commercial contractors. Evans Recycling is located at 2100 J. David Jones Parkway and is open Monday-Friday, 7:00am-5:00pm and Saturday, 7:00am-12noon.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR BRANCHES The City of Springfield will pick up branch piles from residents:

- No larger than 3 feet in height, 4 feet in depth, and 10 feet in length
- Piles larger than a small pickup load will not be picked up by the city
- The program is for branches only, no logs will be accepted
- Branches/limbs trimmed by a commercial contractor will not be picked up
- Branches must be placed on the curb not obstructing the street or sidewalk
- Small branches may be broken up and put into yard waste bags and placed on the curb.
- Branches are not allowed on boulevards.

SPECIAL THANKS to Tim Hickmann for all his work with the repair and upkeep of the pickleball court! Residents are enjoying pickleball!

ATTENTION, HANDY NEIGHBORS! There are often small fix-it tasks around the neighborhood that fall to the responsibility of the board. Help save the neighborhood funds by volunteering to do those projects! If you are handy and willing to help with small projects like this, please contact Nancy Butcher, VP Grounds, at bibneband2@aol.com.

Please read your emails from Hyde Park! It is the fastest, most cost-effective, easiest way for the board to communicate with you. Do we have your correct email address? If you haven't been receiving the emails, please contact Melody at melody.kneezel@gmail.com to get things updated and corrected. We also post important items on the [website](#) and in the Facebook group. If you have not been invited to join the Hyde Park Homeowners' Association Facebook page, you can request to join [HERE](#).