



MAINSAIL

SPRING 2023



VENETIAN ESTATES NEWS & EVENTS

President's Message

Spring is in the air!!! By the time you read this, the boys of summer will be back. It will be fun watching our favorite team, the Fightin' Phils....oops those Houston Astros make another run for the World Series!!! Sorry, still smarting after the Phils lose the World Series then the Eagles lose the Super Bowl!!!! Tough year for us Philly fans, even so, the Philly flags will still be flying from our dock on Santa Maria!!

There will be more activity on the lake as the weather turns warmer, so please be careful out there. Running lights on at night and remember, to help preserve our bulkheads, a "No Wake" speed limit shall be in effect on the entire lake at all times.

After the April Board Meeting, members of the Board and a few other volunteers, will be canvassing the neighborhood for signatures to update our Deed Restrictions to include provisions that will not allow Electric Water Skis to be in our lake. We will also address a Deed Restriction for short term rentals such as Airbnb's and VRBO's. Neither of which will be allowed in Venetian Estates.

We have a few social events coming up that I look forward to seeing everyone. We appreciate Karen and Paul Withrow opening their house for the Venetian Estates Coffee that was held on March 30th. Always a popular event!! Thank you, Karen & Paul!! We also have the Venetian Estates Fishing Tournament and Crawfish Boil on Saturday April 29th. By the way, that day is the second game of a three-game rematch between the Phillies and Astros. Expect some trash talking!!! I am looking for a three-game sweep by my hometown Phils!!! We appreciate Janine & Jim Vonderhaar for hosting this event as well as Bob Buck and his crew for organizing the fishing tournament. Thank you all!!!

Please have a safe spring out there. Enjoy the beautiful weather boating in or lounging around our gorgeous lake!!!

There is absolutely nothing like lake life and there is no better experience then living in our wonderful neighborhood!!!



~ Steve Tralie

Your Venetian Estates Board:

Steve Tralie - PRESIDENT

Jim Vonderhaar - VICE PRESIDENT

Cindy Pack - SECRETARY

Pat Krajca - TREASURER

Trustees:

Bob Buck

Pat Lowrie

Bob Vacek

Ralph Twiss

Christen Johnson

Ruth Jungman

Don Wilson

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Ed Beckham

Tom Tannahill

Haynie Stringer

Tom Tran

Pat Uselton

The Board of Directors meet on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Sugar Land Methodist Church. Room- 600 (431 Eldridge Road, Sugar Land, TX 77478) unless otherwise noted

NEIGHBORHOOD COFFEE

The VE neighborhood coffee was held on March 30 at the beautiful home of Karen and Paul Withrow on Capri. Many attended, including new and long-time residents; this event is always a special one for the neighborhood. A special thank you to organizers Susan Uselton, Carol Tralie, Terry Beckham and Janine Vonderhaar.



RESIDENT SPOTLIGHTS

Debbie and Marvin Marcell, longtime Fort Bend residents, moved to Venetian in 2021 from Sweetwater. Debbie is a top producer at Better Homes and Garden Gary Greene Real



Estate and Marvin is in governmental relations consulting. They have four children throughout Texas, and six grandkids. Debbie and Marvin live at 603 Salerno and enjoy entertaining and being with friends and family. They are loving the Venetian lake life!



Jim and Susie Murray reside at 534 Lombardy and moved into Venetian Estates one year ago. They have lived in the area for 28 years and have always wanted to be a part of this community. They have six children with the youngest soon to graduate from high school and three grandchildren.

Welcoming Committee

I have welcomed few new residents to our wonderful neighborhood. Each received a basket with hand-picked items that were personally delivered with a warm smile and a friendly greeting. If you are new to VE and have not received your Welcoming Basket, please reach contact me. As Welcoming Committee Chair, I'd love to meet you! If you are interested in joining the Welcoming Committee, I'd love to talk with you about it.

Caring Committee

Venetian Estates has beautiful views and great neighbors, yet caring for each other takes that to an amazing level. As part of that neighborhood caring is the VE Caring Committee that helps make it so special. When there is a need our community, our whole neighborhood rallies together to help. When a family experiences a death, an illness, or a challenging event, residents of Venetian Estates are always quick to assist. Most often consisting of delivering meals to a family that has suffered. As VE Committee Chair, I coordinate directly with the family in need; which allows as easy flow of neighbors to drop by with special meals, or assistance.

Did you know I send about 5 to 10 cards to VE residents a month for many different occasions such as births, deaths, graduations and more. Assistance is available to those wanting to send out an announcement to the community. Please contact me if you have a need or are interested in the joining the Caring Committee.

Block Captain

Block Captains are total Venetian Estates thing, they plan many street parties thought the year, like Memorial Day Car Parade, and National Night Out and others. Make sure to "Thank your Block Captain", and ask how you can assist them for their next Street Event.

As a longtime resident of Venetian Estates, I am proud to call it home. If I can assist you in any way don't hesitate to ask!

Ruth Jungman, 114 Sorrento

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Venetian 2023 Block Captains

Bel Mar	Ralph Twiss
Capri	Bob Wilson
Genova	Toni McConnell
Gondola	Staci Pierce
Lombardy	Kelly Rainbolt (addresses 103-318)
Lombardy	Susie Murray (addresses 403-542)
Piedmont	Angie Schultz & Susan Uselton
Salerno	Susan Marblestone
San Marino	James Wong
Santa Maria	Cindy McCoy & Don McGinty
Savoy	Sandra Cornelius (addresses 103-315)
Savoy	Nadine Scott (addresses 403-507)
Sorrento	Tricia Rathwell
St. Marks	Alice & Tom Tannahill
Tuscany	Pat Lowrie

Green Waste Reminders from the City of Sugar Land

Clear/translucent bags are now REQUIRED for green waste, tree limbs and yard clippings. Items placed in bags that aren't clear or translucent will not be picked up.

The City created the Clear Bag mandate to increase process efficiency and to ensure that we are eligible for federal reimbursement after declared disasters, so it's incredibly important that everyone is on board. For more info, visit the City of Sugar Land's website.





VENETIAN ESTATES

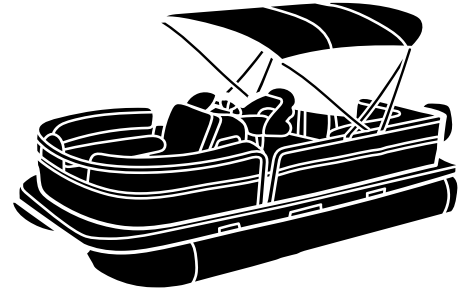
2023 FISHING TOURNAMENT

COME JOIN THE FUN AT THE
VE FISHING TOURNAMENT!



SATURDAY, APRIL 29TH
6:30AM - 12NOON

>> Entry form inserted in this newsletter <<



LAKE RULES

Please remember we have a no wake policy on our lake. We realize that all boats make a nominal wake regardless of the speed. While it is somewhat subjective, we would appreciate boat owners going less than 5 mph and keeping their wakes to less than 6" in height. Some single hull boats push more water and create larger wakes than the pontoon boats at the same speed. If you are in a hurry, please navigate more towards the center of the waterways. Not only does the wake cause damage to docked boats but it also creates added wear on the bulkheads.

While boating at night, you must use running lights (red and green in front and white in rear). Headlights and spotlights are not allowed. Drive more towards the center of the canals to respect homeowners' privacy. Boats are required to be maintained and in operable condition. If not, these boats should be repaired or removed from the lake. Only owners in good standing with the HOA are allowed to use the lake.

DID YOU KNOW?

There are 229 Homesites in Venetian Estates

Of Those:

171 are located on Lake Venice

35 are located on Alkire Lake

10 are on the Lake off Piedmont (near Highway 90)

13 Homes are off the Water

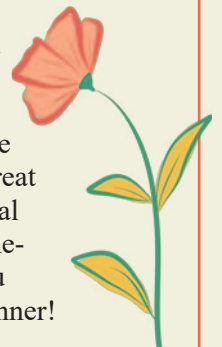
Welcome New Neighbors!

In the last several months, we've had many closings in our community. Please help us welcome these new residents:

June 2022	Vonna and Dominic Taylor	610 Piedmont
June 2022	Susan and Gregory Yund	507 Santa Maria
July 2022	Samir Khatti and Shital Vachhani	118 Sorrento
July 2022	Jamie and Michael Rozell	711 Salerno
July 2022	Ramy/Vijayaraghavan Iyengar	302 Piedmont
August 2022	Kartik and Purvee Mehta	807 San Marino
September 2022	Vanessa and Christopher Chung	114 Saint Marks
December 2022	Shanna and Andrew Marlow	510 Santa Maria
March 2023	Tracey and Bucky Richardson	310 Lombardy

YARD OF THE MONTH

'Yard of the Month' is returning to Venetian Estates in May through October this year. We know so many in our community take special care to make their landscaping look good throughout the year and this is a great way to give a special kudos to those homeowners. Maybe you will be our next winner!





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You are Invited to
 the Venetian Estates
 Resident Spring Social

Crawfish Boil

-CRAWFISH, NEIGHBORS, MUSIC + FUN-

Saturday, April 29, 2023
4:30-7:00pm



103 Savoy
Janine & Jim Vonderhaar's Home

Please RSVP to jrvonder@gmail.com
 with the # of people eating crawfish...
 and if any kids will be eating hotdogs.



Provided by the VE HOA.

Architectural Control Committee (ACC)

The Architectural Control Committee has had a bit of a reprieve in the number of new homes but there are plenty of other home improvement projects going on.

A reminder that any and all exterior changes to your home and property needs to be approved by the ACC. Applications can be found online at Venetianestates.org under documents. It is up to the homeowner to find out what is allowed/required of improvements. It isn't up to the realtor, the seller, the title company or the HOA to inform you. It is all in the deed restrictions and updated guidelines on our website. Please educate yourself on what is and what is not allowed prior to the initial start-up of your project.



We encourage all homeowners to sign up for TownSq - an all-in-one mobile app designed to help you connect, collaborate, and stay up to date with Venetian Estates - any time on any device. With TownSq, you will be able to check your account balance, make payments online, receive alerts from the HOA management team and much more!

Stay in the Know...



On Facebook? Join the Venetian Estates Closed Group for community news.



To be added to the community email list, contact Pat Lowrie at pblowrie@yahoo.com

Need a resident vehicle sticker or neighborhood directory? Contact Ruth Jungman at 713-962-0114.



Visit VenetianEstates.org for information on our community, past newsletters, deed restrictions, and more!

