Glen Laurel



SUMMER 2015

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<u>*NOTICE*</u> Board Meetings

Glen Laurel's monthly Board Meetings will now generally be held on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm at the Woodbridge Club House.

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Message From The Board

For the past several years the Burney Road MUD has been responsible for mowing the area around the three detention ponds in Glen Laurel. This came about after the HOA informed the MUD Board that they could no longer afford to mow property that did not belong to them. While we are very grateful that the MUD Board assumed the responsibility for hiring a contractor to mow their property, it did make for some challenging times.



With two contractors mowing areas right next to each other on a different time schedule, there was always a difference in the height of the grass between MUD property and HOA property. To alleviate this problem the MUD Board and the HOA entered into an agreement several months ago to allow the HOA landscaper to mow both properties. This change should make for a much more uniform look as both areas will be mowed within several days of each other.

The MUD District will not only pay for the mowing of the three detention ponds, they are also reimbursing the HOA for the water that is used to irrigate MUD property and the monthly inspections of the lake water. This will result in a substantial savings to the HOA.

Burney Road MUD has also deeded the land around the monument on the south side of West Airport and Burney Road to the HOA. The monument had been on MUD property since the inception of the neighborhood. Because ownership of the three detention ponds is still an issue, this action will assure that the monument will be on HOA property no matter who ends up owning the lakes. The HOA Board is very grateful to the MUD Board for their unprecedented cooperation on these issues.

Finally, the HOA Board would like to introduce Nanci Flores as the new Property Manager for Glen Laurel. Nanci has been with Sterling for four years and has been working in our neighborhood for the past 12 months. Nanci can be reached at nanci@sterlingasi.com. The Board would like to thank our former property manager Ry Reid for his dedicated service to our community and wish him luck on his new assignment.

Thanks, Glen Laurel Board of Directors



SUMMER LAWN MAINTENANCE

As you well know, hot, dry days are just an inescapable part of summer. Many lawns seem to bake in the heat. But, look around and you'll see one or two in the neighborhood that look as green as can be. You can help your lawn look just as great in the heat if you do 4 things:

Feed regularly

Mow high Water deeply but infrequently Reseed with a more heattolerant grass seed

Feed Regularly

Within 6-8 weeks of feeding, microbes in the soil process most of the nutrients in the ground for your lawn to absorb. So you need to replenish these nutrients by fertilizing. A well-fed lawn grows in thick, crowding out weeds and cooling the soil, which helps it handle the heat. However, if your lawn has gone dormant, hold off on feeding until rain revives it.

Mow High

If you cut your grass short, you're short-changing your lawn. Longer grass allows the growth of longer roots, which can reach down for moisture even on hot, dry days. Just set your mower on one of the highest settings. You'll be surprised what a difference this simple step can make.

Watering

If your grass has been cut short all season, you're going to have to water frequently. But even longer grass needs moisture. So if you choose to water during a dry spell, be sure to water deeply but infrequently. Frequent, shallow watering encourages

POOL SEASON SCHEDULE!

PLEASE READ AND SAVE THIS PAGE!! IMPORTANT INFORMATION

TO:Residents of Glen LaurelFROM:Board of Directors

2015 SWIM SEASON

1. The pool will be closed most Mondays for cleaning unless after a holiday weekend.

2. Private pool parties may be scheduled but only <u>outside</u> of the swim hours listed below.

3. The pool will be open only when there are lifeguards on duty. Final swim day will be Monday, September 7th.

4. Hours of operation will be as follows:

• Monday: Closed

- Tuesday: 4PM 9PM
- Wednesday: 4PM 9PM
- Thursday: 4PM 9PM
- Friday: 1PM 9PM
- Saturday: 1PM 9PM
- Sunday: 1PM 8PM

School Pool Schedule

- Closed from Aug 24th Aug 28th
- Saturday: Aug 29th 1pm 9pm
- Sunday: Aug 30th 1pm 8pm

Labor Day Weekend: September 5th, 6th and 7th.

- Saturday: 1PM 9PM
- Sunday: 1PM 8PM
- Monday: 1PM 8PM
- SEPTEMBER 8TH: CLOSED FOR THE SEASON.



****SEE PAGE 4 FOR POOL TAG INFORMATION****

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SIGN-UP FOR EMAIL **NOTIFICATIONS**

Please check the Glen Laurel website to get important information and sign up to provide your email address if you would like to have alerts emailed to vou.



Visit www.glenlaurel.net and click on the tab labeled "Email Sign-Up" to receive the notifications.

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grass to grow short roots, causing the grass to stress out during droughts. But an inch of water a week serves as a good rule of thumb for keeping your lawn green during the hot summer. Just be sure to water as early as possible in the morning to help reduce wasteful evaporation.

Reseeding and Renovation Older lawns may have grass varieties that just can't handle the heat. The grass may grow in bunches or have thick, ugly blades. Also, a hot summer can leave bare spots and thin areas around the lawn. New grass varieties have been developed to be able to handle scorching heat and still look good. With coolseason grasses, it's best to reseed in fall or early spring. Those times are when conditions are optimal for grass growth.

SUN SAFETY

Ultraviolet radiation (UV) comes from the sun and tanning beds. Less than a handful of sunburns can increase you and your child's risk of skin cancer later in life.

Prevention:

Avoid sun exposure between 10 am - 4 pm. You are still at risk on cloudy days.
Pick a sunscreen that has the words, "BROAD SPECTRUM" to block both types of UV rays.
Look for a SPF of at least 15. SPF 30 or more is better.
Apply sunscreen generously 15 minutes before outdoor activities, and reapply every 2 hours and after swimming.

POOL TAG INFORMATION:

The following requirements must be met in order to receive Pool Tags and use the pool facilities:

1.Must be property owner and resident member of Glen Laurel HOA.

2. Must have paid <u>current annual maintenance fees</u> in order to receive pool tags.

a. <u>If renting</u>, you will not receive Pool Tags if the property owner is not up-to-date with maintenance fees.

b. Maintenance fees WILL NOT be accepted at the pool site. Please contact Sterling Association Services to pay.

3. Must show swim tag and sign in with lifeguard <u>each time</u> you arrive at pool.

4. May bring up to two guests per family

5. Children 12 years of age and under must be accompanied by an adult 18 years of age or older.

a. Anyone not following lifeguards' instructions or acting in a disruptive manner may be asked to leave the pool facility.

6. Pool tags are for <u>residents use only</u> and may not be given to or shared with non-residents. Doing so may result in loss of pool privileges.

POOL TAG PICKUP INFORMATION:

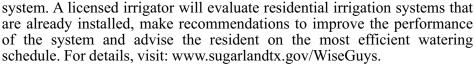
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Pool tags are available from Sterling by mailing, at the above address, a check payable to Sterling for \$10.00 per pool tag. Please specify how many pool tags will be needed. Should you have any questions regarding the operation or maintenance of the facility, please contact Sterling at (832) 678-4500.

NOTABLE NOTES:

Free Sprinkler System Irrigation Evaluation

Water Irrigation System Evaluations (W.I.S.E. Guys) is a program designed to promote efficient water use to save water. The City of Sugar Land contracts with W.I.S.E. Guys to provide Sugar Land residents with a free comprehensive evaluation of their irrigation



Sugar Land's House Watch Program

The House Watch Program is designed to provide Sugar Land homeowners a means of having their residence checked periodically by an officer when they are away from home on vacation or an extended weekend. In order to participate in the program, the homeowner either stops by the Police Department or completes an on-line form. For more details, visit: www.sugarlandtx.gov.

Highway 6 Expansion

Sugar Land City Council approved a \$500,000 design contract with Brown & Gay Engineering for the expansion of State Highway 6 from Brooks Street to Lexington Boulevard.

The completed corridor will include four lanes in each direction from Brooks Street to Lexington Avenue. The approved contract includes roadway design; drainage improvements; utility relocation; traffic signal, signage and pavement markings; landscaping; a cost estimate for construction; and a detailed construction schedule. Completion of the design is expected next year.

The current configuration of the roadway does not adequately support the existing or future traffic volumes. As additional activity centers are developed in Sugar Land (i.e., festival site, Smart Financial Centre, etc.) more motorists will travel through the area.



Providing connectivity between attractions such as Sugar Land Town Square, Constellation Field and others is important as Sugar Land continues to emerge as a destination location for tourists. The project will help support Sugar Land's expanding sales tax base and improve mobility for residents.

For more details, visit: www.sugarlandtx.gov.

Find A Lost Dog or Cat In Glen Laurel?

Have you noticed lost pets roaming the neighborhood. These pets are probably very scared as well as hungry and cold. Here are some things you can do to help reunite them with their owners. Animal Services takes reports of lost and found animals. You can contact Animals Services by calling 281-275-2364 or by visiting www.sugarlandtx.gov and accessing the Public Works department section of the website.



IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Emergencies	911
City Hall	281-275-2700
Councilman/Mayor	281-275-2710
Fire Department	281-275-2851
Fire Dept. Non-emergency	281-275-2500
Police Department	281-275-2525
Public Works/Street Lights	281-275-2450
Ordinance/City Code	281-275-2370
Sugar Land Animal Control	281-275-2750
Animal Control Alternate	281-275-2364
Auto Registration	281-341-3710
Crime Stoppers	281-342-8477
Driver's License	281-232-4334
Health Department	281-342-6414
Fort Bend ISD	281-634-1000
Sheriff's Department	281-341-4700
Social Services	281-342-7300
Voter Registration	281-341-8670

Hospitals:

24HR Emergency Center	281-277-0911
Memorial Herman S.L.	281-725-5000
Methodist Health Center	281-274-7000
Oak Bend Medical Center	281-342-2811
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Misc:

 Poison Control
 800-764-7661

 Sugar Land Library
 281-277-8934

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COMMUNITY POWER UP PROGRAM

Summer is around the corner and with summer comes high energy usage. You are already buying energy so why not save some money and help Glen Laurel while doing it? It's easy to switch, just go to the following website: www.glenlaurelhoa.streampowerup.biz and join the other Glen Laurel residents that are benefiting from the Power Up Program and helping our neighborhood at the same time. Would you like to see a completed walking trail around the lake, additional landscaping beautification projects, a nicer clubhouse where we can actually have inside neighborhood events or eventually our very own tennis courts right here in Glen Laurel??

Sounds like an impossible wish list, right? Well, this can all be possible with the help of every one of you. The great thing is it doesn't require writing a check, fundraising, or going door to door....it just requires one thing - going to the following website: www.glenlaurelhoa.streampowerup.biz and switching your electric provider to Stream Energy.

Each resident that enrolls under Glen Laurel's Power Up program will be helping to contribute thousands of \$'s to our Reserves every single month. We have over 700 homes in our neighborhood and every last resident pays a light bill to some company right now. Why not switch to Stream Energy and take advantage of their incredibly low rates and help make those items on Glen Laurel's wish list a reality at the same time! It is important to know that anyone can participate in this program, you do not have to be a Glen Laurel resident. For more information call Jennifer at 281-732-9375 and let me help you get signed up today.





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REMOVING MOLD FROM YOUR HOME'S EXTERIOR:

While there's always the option of paying for someone to pressure-wash your home to remove mold, there is a fairly effective home remedy you can use to get rid of this problem. Mix the following household ingredients in a garden sprayer, which you can get for under \$20, or find in your garage.

1/3 cup powdered laundry detergent2/3 powdered household cleaner1 quart liquid laundry bleach1 gallon of water

Double-check to ensure children and pets aren't in the area, and wear some sort of safety mask. You may also want to cover your plants or other vegetation around the base of your home with drop cloths. These ingredients generally aren't harsh to clean with, but can be dangerous if you are breathing, or ingesting the ingredients. Once you have the solution mixed, you will begin applying it to your siding. One gallon should cover a 10' X 20' area or a little further, depending on how liberal you are with it. Once you apply a good coat to your vinyl siding, let it stand for five to ten minutes. After this lapse in time, use your garden hose to rinse the siding off. If you don't have a garden hose, thoroughly cleanse your garden sprayer and fill it with water to rinse the siding. Depending on the severity of mold, you may need to apply a second or third coat and repeat the steps already covered. Make mold old news and spruce up the exterior of your home!