

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Glen Laurel Homeowners,

I hope this letter finds you and your families safe, healthy and have enjoyed the holiday season!

After many years of service on the Glen Laurel Board of Directors, John Clarke has stepped aside to enjoy his retirement to the fullest. The Glen Laurel HOA Board would like to thank him for his many years of service. We would also like to congratulate Joanna Figueroa on her recent election to the Board of Directors ("Board") in the Glen Laurel community. We appreciate her enthusiasm and willingness to serve.

Keeping up the integrity of the neighborhood is only one responsibility of the HOA. We have also noticed an increased number of homeowners:

- a. Putting trash cans out before 6pm on Sunday and Wednesday
- b. Leaving trash cans out 2 to 3 days after trash pickup
- c. Leaving lawn clippings at the curb for an entire week or weekend
- d. Lawn clipping should not be visible until after 6pm Sunday

Beginning September 1, 2021 Senate Bill 1588 – Relating to the Powers and Duties of Property Owners Associations went into effect. A result of SB 1588, the Board can no longer approve architectural applications. However, to comply with the new requirement, the Glen Laurel Community now has an Architectural Review Committee. For more information contact Sterling Management. We continue to appreciate all the homeowners who keep us informed of any issues or concerns in the neighborhood that cause concern. Let's continue to keep our community beautiful. Remember, it's the responsibility of every Glen Laurel resident to help maintain our community and our property values. I would also like to encourage all our homeowners to attend our monthly Zoom meetings. Your input is greatly valued. Lastly, I and the other two elected directors, Joanna Figueroa and Mark Johnson look forward to serving the Glen Laurel community in the upcoming year.

Best regards,
Lydia Rosenthal - President, Glen Laurel HOA

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 you.

Visit www.glenlaurel.net and click on the tab labeled "Email Sign-Up" to receive the notifications. Signing up for email notifications will also allow you to access the Resident Only section of the website.

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
S.L. Medical Center	281-274-6600

Misc:

Poison Control	800-764-7661
Sugar Land Library	281-277-8934
Sugar Land Post Office	800-275-8777
Recycling Center	281-342-5226

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2021 CHRISTMAS DECORATING CONTEST WINNERS

The 2021 Christmas Decorating Contest has completed and the winners have been selected! Congratulations to the following homes for winning their respective category and thanks to everyone who participated in this year's contest!

- BEST CHILDRENS THEME- 2363 Cool Springs
- BEST LIGHTS- 13902 Charterhouse
- BEST WINTER WONDERLAND- 14106 Bracebridge Ct
- MOST CREATIVE- 14022 Blue Vista
- MOST HOLIDAY SPIRIT- 14022 Sandy Springs
- MOST TRADITIONAL- 13903 Blue Vista



2022 ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS

Annual HOA assessments are due this month. They are considered late after January 31, 2022 with all past due accounts assessed a \$25.00 late fee and may include additional penalties and possible legal fee reimbursement if received after January 31, 2022. Your HOA assessments are what allow your Board of Directors to maintain your community.

The assessments cover all operational costs of the Association such as:

- Monument signs maintenance and repairs
- Perimeter fence repairs/ replacement
- Landscaping maintenance and replacement in common areas
- Pool, park and playground maintenance and repairs
- Community events
- Lake Management
- Neighborhood streetlights
- HOA Management
- Yard of the Month and Christmas Decorating Contest
- and newsletters like this one...



PAST DUE BALANCES:

If owners are experiencing hardships, a request can be submitted to the Board for review. Please contact Sterling Management via phone at (832) 678-4500 or via email at houston@sterlingasi.com to make the necessary payment arrangements if you have a past due balance.

NEW WEBSITE COMING!

Be on the lookout for a new and improved community website. The current website will be refreshed during the first quarter of 2021. Be on the lookout for the changes at www.glenlaurel.net.

PLEASE OBTAIN ACC APPROVAL BEFORE MAKING CHANGES TO THE EXTERIOR OF YOUR HOME

The Board would like to remind residents that any and all exterior modifications to your property need to be submitted to the Architectural Control Committee (ACC) to be reviewed and approved prior to construction. This is done to comply with the guidelines set in our Architectural Guidelines and the Declaration of Covenants. The documents to review and the form to submit to the Architectural Control Committee can be found on our website in the Guidelines, ACC, & Forms section. If there are any questions, please contact Property Management:



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PLEASE PICK UP AFTER YOUR PETS

It doesn't take much to remember that we have pets in our community. In fact, if you don't watch your step, you're liable to step in one such reminder!

Besides being unsightly and smelly, animal waste can be hazardous to the health of our children who play in the community and other pets. One of the most common forms of disease transmission between dogs is through fecal matter.



When walking your dog in our community, remember that it should be leashed. Also, it is important to remember to immediately clean up after your pet. *We have several dog stations around the park lake and one by the pool area parking lot for everyone to use.* Call Sterling management if dog stations need attention. By taking a few simple steps to clean up after your pet, you can contribute not only to the beautification of our community, but also towards the elimination of one of the most irritating nuisances in a neighborhood. Thank you for your cooperation!

TRASH PICKUP / RECYCLING / GREEN WASTE / BULK WASTE

Trash Pickup Day

MONDAY & THURSDAY

Solid Waste Collection Requirements:

<https://www.sugarlandtx.gov/index.aspx?nid=519>

Recycling Day

MONDAY

Curbside Recycling Information:

<https://www.sugarlandtx.gov/index.aspx?NID=517>

Green Waste Day

MONDAY

Green Waste Information:

<https://www.sugarlandtx.gov/index.aspx?NID=520>

Bulk Waste Day

1st MONDAY

Bulk Waste Information:

<https://www.sugarlandtx.gov/index.aspx?NID=518>

OVERGROWN TREES IN GLEN LAUREL

The Glen Laurel HOA has noticed that a number of homes along Burney, West Airport, Mason and Florence have overgrown branches and trees that are butting up against the exterior fences and walls of the community. The Glen Laurel community came together and voted on a special assessment a few years ago to fund the construction of the walls on West Airport, Burney and funded the exterior fences on Florence and Mason. The HOA has incurred financial cost due to damage to the walls because of overgrown branches and trees butting up against the walls. We are asking all homeowners that have branches and trees that push up against the exterior walls along West Airport and Burney to trim or cut them back to avoid damaged to the community fences.



Who is responsible for the maintenance of the trees in front and back of the homes?

The owner of the tree is responsible for the maintenance of the tree. This is a City Ordinance. Now is the time to take advantage of trimming the overgrown trees before the spring bloom. All trees and limbs growing in or near a right of way must be trimmed to the regulated height of 12 feet above streets and 8 feet above sidewalks. Many of the trees are so overgrown that they have covered the streetlights and are causing visibility issues. **We appreciate your effort once again in taking pride in the upkeep of your home and our community.**

More information regarding tree trimming from the City of Sugar Land website:

<https://www.sugarlandtx.gov/1079/Trees-and-Tree-Trimming>

Expanding our team of leaders in **PRIMARY CARE**

Houston Methodist Welcomes Dr. Naureen Ahmeduddin and Dr. Gilberto Sustache

The physicians at Houston Methodist Primary Care Group at Brooks Street have extensive training and experience in diagnosing and treating the following:

- Acute and chronic care
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- Preventive care
- Women's health

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SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT

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Sugar Land, TX 77478

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Family Medicine



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Family Medicine



Asisat Ope, MD
Family Medicine



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Family Medicine



WHY YOU SHOULD NOT FEED DUCKS

The Problems With Feeding Ducks In The Community Lakes

Heading to the park to feed the ducks is a very old and popular family pastime; it's a fun, free activity and a great way for parents and children to see and appreciate wildlife and nature. Giving food to ducks can create many problems for birds and the environment.



Per the City of Sugar Land website <https://www.sugarlandtx.gov/447/Why-You-Should-Not-Feed-Ducks>; feeding ducks can lead to the following problems as well:

- Duckling malnutrition — in areas where ducks are regularly fed bread the ducklings will not receive adequate nutrition for proper growth and development.
- Overcrowding — Where food is easy to come by, ducks and other waterfowl will lay more eggs and the pond or lake will become overcrowded. This makes it more difficult for the birds to seek out healthier food sources and increases territorial aggression, especially during mating season. It will also cause ducks to cross busy streets in search of food.
- Pollution — What happens to all that bread that is not eaten? It causes algae growths, pollution, and can eventually eradicate fish and other life in the vicinity.
- Diseases — A diet rich in carbohydrates leads to greater fecal production and bird feces easily harbors bacteria responsible for numerous diseases including avian botulism.
- Attraction of pests — Rotting leftover food attracts other unwelcome pests such as rats, mice, and insects. These pests can also harbor additional diseases that can be dangerous to humans.

Caring For Ducks & Geese

If you care about ducks and geese, do not feed them. They can live longer, healthier lives by relying on natural food sources such as aquatic plants, seeds, grasses, and insects rather than taking handouts from well-meaning humans. Now that you know, you can help by not feeding the ducks and geese and by educating other duck lovers.

Glen Laurel HOA will be installing signs around the community lakes as a reminder to our homeowners not to feed the ducks. We will appreciate everyone's cooperation in this matter.

It's Time to Winterize Your Lawn and Irrigation System!



As the temperature drops, your lawn goes into hibernation and undergoes some physical changes. We've put together a few tips that will help you prepare for cooler months:

1. Beginning in October through March, add no or very little water to your lawn. St. Augustine is dormant during the fall and winter.
2. Check the level of mulch in your landscaping. Mulch helps winterize your yard by keeping soil temperatures moderate.
3. Mow once per month at the most.



SPEEDING ISSUES IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

We have received numerous complaints of speeding down the entrance streets to our neighborhood such as Imperial Canyon Lane, Cottonwood Ct, etc. A reminder to all our residents- please do not speed down Glen Laurel. Traffic laws must also be followed in the neighborhood not just on the main streets.



Obey Speed Limits: Not only is speeding dangerous to other drivers, but speeding in the neighborhood also poses the potential for serious injury and even death to children and pedestrians in the area. Rule of thumb—**DON'T SPEED AND BE VIGILANT OF YOUR SURROUNDINGS.**

Stop Means Stop: Drivers must come to a complete stop behind the designated line or cross walk when approaching a stop sign. Simply slowing down, rolling through the intersection, or stopping part of the way through the intersection won't cut it. These are the primary reasons police issue tickets for stop sign violations. Even if no other cars or pedestrians are visible, it is important to obey the law.

Buckle Up for Safety: The driver and all adult passengers are usually required to wear a seat belt when traveling in a personal vehicle. Children under five years old and/or weighing less than 40 pounds must ride in a car seat secured in a rear seat. When kids reach 80 pounds or 8 years old, they can use a seat belt in most states. Booster seats are typically allowed between these two milestones.

It is essential for people sharing the road to know the same basic set of traffic rules. Traffic laws are in place to protect drivers, passengers, and pedestrians. We hope that these tips will be useful and helpful to slow down traffic concerns in our neighborhood effectively.

GLEN LAUREL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE

2022 HOA Assessments due January 31, 2022

Spring Community Garage Sale- April 9th 8am-5pm

Pool Tag Registration- May 14th and May 21st 9am-12pm at the pool

Glen Laurel Pool Opens for 2022 pool season- *May 28th- May 30th Memorial Day Weekend
*Tentatively Opening Date

Fall Community Garage Sale- September 10th 8am-5pm

Glen Laurel National Night Out- October 4th at community park on Imperial Canyon
*More details to come in upcoming newsletters

2022 Annual Meeting- November 2nd at 7pm

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PLEASE SUPPORT PETITION REGARDING SPEEDING

Dear Homeowners,

The speeding on West Airport between Mason Street and Burney Road has gotten progressively worse over the years and has led to a number of accidents on West Airport. These accidents have caused a lot of property damage to our community thus putting the financial responsibility of the repairs back on our community.

The Glen Laurel Board has requested a traffic study to be performed by the City of Sugar Land which only confirmed what we already knew.....people are driving at a high rate of speed down West Airport. Even though we now have an electronic speed sign and occasional police presence in the pool parking lot, these have not helped remedy the speeding problem. We would like to see traffic light or stop signs installed on West Airport at either Cottonwood, Mason or Imperial Canyon or possibly a combination of these. The Glen Laurel Board has decided that the HOA needs the help of the City of Sugar Land and are going to request a meeting with our city council person for District 1, Susanne Whatley. The HOA has set up an online petition on the Glen Laurel website outlying the wants of our community and would like all Glen Laurel residents to participate in voicing their support for this request to the City of Sugar Land. We would like to have the signed petition (with all our homeowners) in hand before we meet with our city council person. Please visit the website www.glenlaurel.net to fill out the online petition and make sure to also sign up to receive email updates from Glen Laurel HOA.

Thank you in advance.
Glen Laurel Board