

**Trees**

Once a year we have a tree company come out and trim trees on common ground. If a tree that is on common ground is encroaching on your patio or roof, let Joan know so she can put it on the list to be trimmed. The tree service has already been out for this year and unless we have an emergency, they won't be trimming again until after the first of the year. Joan keeps a list in the office, so call her anytime to report a tree that needs trimming. If your neighbor's tree in their patio area is encroaching on your roof or patio, please talk to your neighbor and see if they will have it trimmed. If you have a tree in your patio area, it is your responsibility to keep it trimmed and healthy.

We do not cut down live and healthy trees. If you are having a problem with a tree, we will try to accommodate your concerns as best we can. We will have our arborist look at it and follow their recommendations. Trees provide shade which lowers your electric bill and they house wildlife. The tree's root system also prevents erosion of the soil.

Please do not plant flowers, shrubs and trees on common ground without notifying Joan and getting approval from the Board of Directors.

**Common Ground**

Please do not store anything on common ground. Do not put out a swimming pool, firepit, trampoline, water hoses, sidewalk lights, bicycles, or any other personal items on the common ground. These items prevent the Lawn Service from doing their job. Also, the items could be stolen or injure others. Anything that you want to use outdoors should be used in your patio area or, for those with garages, it can be used in your garage. The Lawn Service is **NOT** responsible for inadvertent damage to personal items left on common ground. If you have a cable service, please make sure they bury the lines to your house.

**Parking**

We are continuing to have an abundance of parking issues. Please review the following:

Each home, without a garage, is assigned one parking place. If you have more than one vehicle, you may park the second one in a guest parking place. If you have a garage and a driveway, you are not entitled to park in a guest parking spot. All parking spots are owned by the Association and do not run with the title to your home. For those with an assigned parking spot, do not park in a guest parking spot in order to hold yours open. This is not being courteous to your neighbors and you will also be fined. All guest parking is on a first-come basis.

Because parking is very limited, there is a limit of 2 cars per home. Any other cars you own must be parked off property.

**Water**

Please do not wash your cars on property! Our water bill is running over \$20,000 a month! Anyone reported washing their cars will receive a fine of \$100, and additional offenses will result in a fine of \$250 each. There are car washes that are much cheaper than what your fine will be. If you are a tenant, your landlord will be fined. He or she will not be happy when they receive a notice that they owe money to the Association!

**Water Valve**

Make sure the shut off valve to your home is in working order. This valve is usually found in your flowerbed, encased in a white PVC pipe and controls the water inside your house. If it is not in working order, please contact a plumber and get it fixed. This is not something that Cobblestone pays for. It is a part of your plumbing and in an emergency you have to have a way of shutting off the water inside your home.

**Pet Stations**

We have 10 Pet Stations on property that Steve keeps filled with bags and empties. Please clean up after your dog. Dog feces carry germs that can make people very sick. There are fines in place if you do not clean up behind your dog.

You **MUST** keep your dogs on a leash when outside your home. Correction collars are not a substitute for a leash. Both the City and Cobblestone have leash laws.

If you see anyone violating the leash law or not picking up after their pets, please record a video of the offense and email it to Joan in the office. The owner or landlord will be fined.

Please keep your cats inside, and do not keep your dogs on your patio for extended periods of time.

**Trash**

Please remember to store your trash in your cans and not in loose bags because animals can tear into them and spread the trash. If the City misses picking up your trash, call them at 673-6300.

**\*\*You may not store trash in breezeways and on common ground. Cobblestone has a \$250 dumping fine for any resident who dumps loose trash or furniture on common ground. If you are a tenant, then your landlord will be fined.\*\***

You may request a **FREE** trash can by calling the City Sanitation Department. Their number is 673-6300. The City will deliver it to your home. Please put your house number on it in **BIG, BOLD** numbers so if it gets lost, it will find its way back to you.

Keep in mind that the trash people will not take construction debris, appliances, or fixtures. You must haul that off yourself.



# Cobblestone News

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## A Message from the Board President, Jerry McCoy

In recent weeks there have been several occasions where a resident has used common property and/or facilities in an unauthorized manner, and without the HOA Board's knowledge or approval.

Cobblestone HOA has rules in place for use of the pool and tennis court facilities; however, they are not all-encompassing.

Should you wish to use the facilities or the common property at Cobblestone in a manner not covered by the current rules, please notify Joan first. She will need to obtain Board approval for any modifications to, use of, or changes to any common property or facilities.

## City Water Issue

The City is still working on the issue of discolored water. They have notified Shreveport residents that the discoloration is being caused by Manganese (a mineral) in Cross Lake, the source of our drinking water. The City says it is safe to drink; however, you might choose to drink and cook with bottled water until the tap water is clear.

## Tennis Court

We are on schedule to have the tennis court redone the end of August, weather permitting! We have hired a company out of Mississippi, that will power wash the courts, fill in the cracks, and apply fresh paint and lines. They will also paint pickleball lines so that you can play either tennis or pickleball. Remember, the same card that gets you into the pool also gets you into the tennis court. The hours for both are 10:00 AM until 10:00 PM. The pool is available from the first Friday of May until the last Sunday of September. Please hang onto your electronic card, because it is the key to fun for the whole family!

If you misplace your card, please let Joan know so that she can deactivate it. By deactivating it, you will not be held liable for any damage that someone might do while the card is active and in your name. New cards are \$25 each, with a limit of two per household.

*The office will be closed Thursday, July 4th, for Independence Day and Monday, September 2nd for Labor Day. To turn in a work order or to pay your dues, please go to our website. You may also leave a message on the office answering machine or drop your dues in our mail drop to the left of the front door.*

*Have a fun-filled Summer!*

## Children

Please supervise your children when they are outside. We ask that you not allow them to ride their bicycles, scooters, etc. on the sidewalks. When riding in the street, they need to obey the signs and ride with the traffic. There are so many cars traveling on the streets in Cobblestone and we want your children to be safe.

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