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Splinters from the Board

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There has not been much news to report to you so I've been hibernating. Our evening deputy has moved onto greener pastures having accepted an assignment with the Parks Dept. and we wish Troy the best. Please join me in welcoming Deputy Travis Rawls. Deputy Rawls is just getting started with Wortham so when you see him please give him a great Wortham welcome.

We are in process, thanks again to our friends and partners at the M.U.D., of getting irrigation to the 23 esplanades in our subdivision. Keeping greenery alive in Houston's heat is a major feat and in order to keep us green we are sharing the expenses of adding this feature. We already have irrigation in section 3 and now we will have this throughout our subdivision. Please let's all keep this area clean and free of anything that may damage the sprinklers or the area as a whole so we can enjoy this for years to come. As it relates to beautification we are exploring other possibilities to our entrance into our subdivision and having landscape designers give us their opinions on how to 'spruce' up the entranceway and to give us a 'Wow' factor. I will keep you posted as these progresses but we are in the very early stages at this point.

We are going to be getting bleachers for use of our swim team and then after the season down at the ball field. I did not even know this existed but apparently it does and that is a foldable, moveable bleacher seats. Live and learn!

Our finances are in great shape, we have annual audits and we can all be proud of the fact that we are doing well.

All of us have been hearing about Homeowner Associations that make the headline news and on T.V. Not all HOA's are created equal. We always have looked at everything we do as 'how high is up?' We have never compared ourselves to anyone else and have always done things the way 'we' felt they should be done with the best interest of every one of our residents. I have been fortunate to work with some very bright people on our boards over the past 10 years, each with unique contributions, ability and set of skills and this board is no exception. What I am most proud of is that there are no egos, no special interests other than what is best for our community. I always mention our financials because this is an obvious area of a test for any community and any business for that matter. We always have two signatures for check writing, annual audits and a management

company to oversee everything that we do.

In this vane I must say our home values have appreciated and I have discussed everything in a positive light as to how we keep the outside of our homes, the landscaping and such and although I do not advertise for anyone, I felt Margo Horton's column about home values from 'inside' the home was very insightful and I appreciate her submitting that article a few months ago. Thank you Margo!

Thank you everyone in the community for keeping us looking great and as a community that 'outsiders' look up to as an exceptional area to live in.

On a final note I would like to talk about Neighborhood Watch. To me this is the single most important thing we can do for each other to keep our neighborhood safer. There really is no such thing as 'security' but there is a thing as Neighborhood Watch. We are our brother's keeper or so I've read and if we watch out for each other we will be an even better place to live. Our head chair and 'guru' is Marie Trascher who works hard along with her husband Fred. They have been a blessing to our community and we should work with Marie to accomplish the goals she set for herself to help us help you! We need active block captains and we need participation in the Neighborhood Watch as this is the only way to have an opportunity to keep us out of harms way! In meetings I've heard we should have more officers, gate the community and a lot of other thoughts. Truth is we could hire more officers, gate the community and still not guarantee you anything! More officers cost more money, lots of it. Gating a community is really not an option because if you were to be able to accomplish this you would have to own the streets and the sewers and maintain them as well. This too is ridiculously expensive and not a real option. The best and most cost effective thing to do is Neighborhood Watch.

Make it a great day! See you at my table.

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Check Business	1	Theft/Other	2
Check Park	6	Theft/Residence	1
Contract Check	428	Traffic Stop	24
Criminal Mischief	6	Vacation Watch	4
Discharge Firearm	1	Vehicle Abandoned	1
Disturbance/Family	4	Vehicles Speeding	2
Disturbance/Loud Noise	3	Vehicle Stickered	3
Disturbance/Other	5	Vehicles Stolen	1
Domestic/Prevent	1	Vehicle Suspicious	3
Drug/OD/Possession	1	_	

Jersey Village Baptist Church Vacation Bible School June 4-8 from 9am-12noon



Come Back!

By Jonathan Armstrong

Whoever said "absence makes the heart grow fonder" was not talking from a young person's perspective. Young people think in the here and now. They may have the time of their lives one moment, and then forget how much fun it was the next. At least, that is the way it seems sometimes. For this month's article I thought I would focus on my former Whitesharks. It's not too late for you to rejoin. It is for the greater good that I hope to convince you to

First of all, let me say that we are always very happy to have our loyal returning swimmers back. I love all of my swimmers, no matter what age or experience. You are the best hope for convincing your friends that they really do want to swim. Each summer the majority of our swimmers return. This year I know of several swimmers who will be returning after missing one or more summers (Fantastic!). I also know of a few more who are not yet signed up. I could name them all here to prove to you they mean a lot to me individually, but I won't embarrass them. You know who you are.

Every year at this time I am amazed and very disappointed to hear from my swimmers who have decided that they are "not going to swim this summer." At the end of the previous season I ask all my swimmers if they will swim until they are 18. Almost every one gives a cheerful "YES!", but when spring comes around, here is how a typical conversation with one of these swimmers goes:

"Why aren't you going to swim this summer?"

"I dunno."

come back.

"Did you have fun last summer?"

"Yeah"

"If you had fun last summer, don't you think you would have fun this summer?"

"Yeah."

"Isn't that enough?"

"I dunno." (Always accompanied by a sheepish look and slightly raised shoulders.)

Sometimes I find out the real reason. Often it is just a matter of timing – how can you ask me about swimming when it's cold outside and I have all these other things going on? Usually they come around in time. Sometimes they don't. I have already covered the time commitment and getting up early reasons in previous articles (bottom line: good things always come with sacrifices, but it's worth it). Another disturbing reason I sometimes hear is a variation of, "I'm not very good," or, "if I'm not going to be the best, then I don't want to do it," or, "I'm not a point scorer, so I don't matter." This one knots me up. Have you not been listening to me? Everyone matters. In any sport, if only the best showed up, then there would be no sport. Winning and being the best is not what it is all about. Striving to do your best is what it is all about. Teamwork is what it is all about. Fun is what it is all about. Everyone wants to win and be the best, and there is nothing wrong with that, but let that spur you on to improve. One of the great things about Swim Team is that everyone participates, everyone matters, and everyone has

something to benchmark themselves against to show how they have improved.

Until recently I have always been on the athlete and coach side of this type of conversation. Then my son started playing sports: A Proud Dad moment. After weeks of building up excitement, the day comes.

Then I hear, "I don't want to." What? As you can imagine, after much coaxing and deals made, he played. And he loved it. I thought that would be the end of that, but no, every time we start something new or even start over with the same sport, it's "I don't want to." Guess what - he has fun every time.

Parents have the greatest influence on their children. Parents know what their kids will enjoy and what they won't, and parents know what buttons to push. Help me out here parents, don't let hollow reasons keep your kids from missing out.

As you can tell, I am very passionate about this team. I want everyone to experience it with us. Please come back. Save me some sleepless nights. We need you. Whether or not you return to the Whitesharks, I wish you all a safe and fun summer. Come see us sometime – we'll be having fun up at the pool.

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Wortham Village Community Association 2007 Pool Season

The 2007 Pool Season is finally here! Provided here in this newsletter are the dates and times of operation as well as a copy of the pool rules for the Wortham Villages pool in 2007. If there are any changes to these days or hours they will be posted at the pool. When hours are set this far in advance, there is always the possibility of changes being made. Enjoy the summer! HOURS OF OPERATION:

The pool will be open during the following hours:

Saturday, May 26, 2007

he poor will be open during the following hours.	
April 28th through May 23rd	
Monday through Friday	Closed
Saturdays	. 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Sundays	. 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Saturdays, May 12 & 19, 2007	
the pool will not open until 2:00 P.M due to a sv	vim meet.
May 24th through 31st	
Thursday, May 24th	. 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Friday, May 25th	10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 26th	2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Sunday, May 27th	. 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Monday, May 28th	
(Memorial Day)	. 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Tuesday, May 29th	4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 30th	. 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Thursday, May 31st	. 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

the pool will not open until 2:00 P.M due to a swim meet.

June 1st through August 7th	
Mondays	
Tuesdays	10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Wednesdays	
Thursdays	
Fridays	
Saturdays	
Sundays	
Saturday, June 9, 2007	
the pool will not open until 2:00 P.M. due to a	swim meet.
August 8th through September 3rd	
Mondays	4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Tuesdays	
Wednesdays	4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Thursdays	
Fridays	
Saturdays	
Sundays	
Exception: Monday, September 3rd	
(Labor Day)	10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
September 8th through 16th	
Mondays through Fridays	Closed
Saturdays	
Sundays	
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---- Pool Rules ----

- 1. Proper swim attire must be worn to be admitted to the pool.
- 2. Only Wortham Village residents and their guests will be allowed to use the pool. Residents must accompany guests. Residents are allowed to bring four (4) guests with each adult pool tag (this does not include pool tags assigned to children 10-15 years old). Under this guest policy, there must be one adult for every two kids under 12 years of age. No Wortham resident under the age of 18 is allowed to bring a guest.
- 3. Pool tags will be strictly enforced. It is the resident's responsibility to bring them to the pool. It is very awkward and uncomfortable situation for everyone when the lifeguard must ask a resident to go back home and get his or her tag.
- 4. Lifeguards are employed to insure the safety of swimmers, and they have the authority to remove from the pool area anyone disobeying the rules and/or endangering the safety of themselves or another person.
- 5. There will be a 10 minute break each hour. During this time the pool will be cleared with the exception of persons who are 18 years of age and older.
- 6. The following activities and items are not allowed: Running or rough-housing, Skates, bicycles or skateboards, Glass containers and/or alcoholic beverages, Littering, Cooking, Loud music, Pets, Cutoffs, Loud, abusive or foul language, Cocoa butter, baby oil or other heavy suntan oil

- 7. Flotation items for the swimming pool are allowed, but are restricted to small size tubes and floats.
- 8. Diving Rules: No diving in the shallow end. No swimming in the deep end while the boards are open for diving. Only one person on the diving board at all times. Divers must jump straight out and not towards the sides. Divers must wait for person in front of them to get to the side before diving.
- 9. Any child 9 years or under must be accompanied by said child's parent or person 18 years old or older. Children 10 15 years of age may swim without adult supervision after passing a swim test and received pool tags.
- 10. Baby Pool Rules: Only non-swimming toddlers 5 years and under may use the baby pool. Parents, not lifeguards, are responsible for children in baby pool. Any child not potty-trained must wear rubber pants with elasticized waist and legs over disposable diapers when in the water.
 - 11. Trespassers and vandals will be prosecuted.
- 12. Parents are responsible for their children and guests at the pool. Parents must closely supervise their children at all times. The lifeguards will always enforce the pool rules throughout the facility, but children who cannot swim must have an adult (18 or older) within arms reach at all times. The same rule applies even if the child is wearing floatation device





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Our team has been working extremely hard in the off season to provide a facility you can visit with pride. We want your visit to the pool to be a safe and positive experience. Allow us to start the swim season off on a positive note and offer some valuable safety reminders. With your support we are confident that the 2007 swim season will be a safe and fun experience for all.

- Parents must closely supervise their children at all times. Remember, it only takes seconds for a child to drown.
- Do not dive in areas marked "NO DIVING". Nearly 90 percent of all spinal injuries occur in the shallow end of the pool.
- Breath holding games can be very dangerous and may cause cardiac arrhythmia or seizures. Games like who can hold their breath the longest, and swimming the longest distance underwater should be

avoided at all times.

- Don't allow children to play with or around the main drain. The main drain suction can be very powerful, and has been known to cause severe injuries, and in some cases death.
- The safety of the children in the baby pool are the parents or guardians responsibility. The lifeguards will always enforce the pool rules throughout the facility, but children who cannot swim must have an adult within arms reach at all times. The same rule applies even if the child is wearing a floatation device.
- Define a safe zone for your children where they can always touch the bottom. One of the most common saves a lifeguard must make is when a swimmer strays to an area that is too deep for them to stand.
- Access rules to the facility will be strongly enforced and is the responsibility of each member to understand and follow. It is a very awkward and uncomfortable situation for everyone, when a lifeguard must ask a member to go back home to get the appropriate access tag.
- Remember that there are several different types of people who like to use the pool throughout the summer. Both young and old, everyone wants to have a good time.
- If you should ever have a question about the pool rules, ask a lifeguard or manager. It is better to be safe then sorry!!!
- Have a safe and enjoyable summer.

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Neighborhood Watch News

Marie Trascher

More on the Citizen's Police Academy – There was a tour of the Transtar and Jail Tour.: Transtar is the central location for the calls that are made to 911, the Harris County Sheriff's Office and the Houston Police Dept. I was not able to attend but my husband did. The amount of calls that are handled is staggering. It is no wonder that we are put on hold for a length of time. Calls made to 911 for non-emergency incidents is more than suspected but must be dealt with leaving true emergencies on hold. The processing center for the jail is something that we do not want to see. The food service area is very strict with limited hours that a person in jail may eat. Overall it is a place we do not want to be.

Week seven topic was Crime Scene Investigation (CSI) which does not happen as quickly as seen on TV. We did have two scenarios in which we played a CSI. There were clues in a setting which told the story of what happened in the room. Luckily for us they were rather obvious to the crime.

Our next week was the K-9 Unit and the Bomb Unit. The dogs for this unit are bought from Holland and cost from \$5,000. to \$7,500. Each. They are partly trained before they are released to the Sheriff's Office and are taught to sniff out drugs. They have an outstanding record of captured drugs and drug offenders. The most impressive for me was the Bomb Unit which I had never seen. It is housed in a large truck that carries all the equipment needed by the Deputies plus the robot. The robot is a large metal unit that is equipped with

X-ray detection, cameras, light source and has a place to connect a rifle and a shotgun. It can be controlled by the Deputy from as far away as 1 ½ miles thus protecting the Deputy from harm.

We then learned the next week about Auto Theft and the Burglary Apprehension Response Squad (B.A.R.S.). Most of this information we should know already. Do not leave keys and valuables in cars. Be sure to lock your car. Be proactive instead of reactive. BARS has the job of trying to recover your vehicle and valuables once your car is stolen. As you might guess, most are not recovered.

There is one more class remaining. The following week will be graduation. I have learned a great deal and hope that sharing this information with you has made you more aware for your safety.

Our night time Deputy Troy Thomas has left us to join the Parks Department. We do have a new Deputy Travis Rawls. Be sure to say Hi and get acquainted with him if you are out and see him. I feel he will be a valuable asset to our community.

With the end of school next month many will be taking vacations from home. Please remember to call 713-221-6000 to request a "Deputy Watch" for your residence while you are away.

As promised listed are the incidents reports for February and March.



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Summer Camps at Cypress Christian School

Cypress Christian School will once again host summer camps for children and adults in the community.

Camp Invention - June 4 - 8:

This is a week-long summer enrichment program in the fields of science, mathematics, history, and the arts for children entering grades

High Touch - High Tech Science Camp - June 11 - 15:

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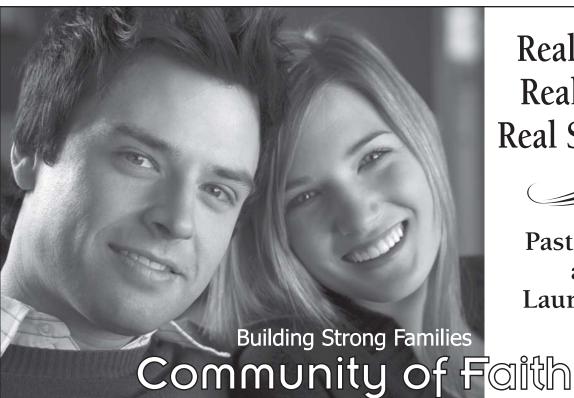
CCS will host this program again this summer. It is scheduled to run from June to early August and is available to children and adults.

Sports Camps – June:

• Basketball Camps - The main purpose of the camps is to teach the fundamentals of dribbling, shooting, passing, and defense, while also developing self-confidence and a positive mental attitude. CCS Basketball Camp 1, June 18-21, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm (Camp 1 is for students entering 2nd-6th)

CCS Basketball Camp 2, June 25-28, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm (Camp 2 is for students entering 7th-12th)

· Sports Quest Soccer Camp - June 25–29, 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm



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Angels' Attic Resale Shop is stocked with clean, gently used children's clothing for spring. Stop by and take advantage of these and other bargains. Proceeds from purchases at Angels' Attic benefit the ministry services and Food Pantry at CAM.

Cypress Assistance Ministries (CAM), located at 11202 Huffmeister, exists to provide a safe place for individuals or families to tell their story and be offered some measure of hope during difficult times. For a description of all our services and volunteer opportunities, please see our Web site, www. cypressassistanceministries.com

Donations to Cypress Assistance Ministries can be made Monday through Wednesday from 10AM – 6PM and Thursday through Saturday from 10AM - 3 PM.

Cypress Assistance Ministries Volunteers Needed

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If one of your New Year's resolutions was to spend more time volunteering in the community, then CAM is just the place for you. Bring along a friend and assist other volunteers in our busy sorting and hanging department. You will experience warm, friendly fellowship and the satisfaction of knowing you have helped families in need in our community. The services provided at CAM are made possible by many dedicated, weekly volunteers. If you can stand and lift for a moderate

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The Wortham Bookclub was started almost three years ago by residents that enjoy reading. The group reads about nine books a year. We meet at members homes in Wortham to discuss the books about every six weeks in an informal potluck format. The books vary in topics and length. We are now looking for new members to join our bookclub. If you are interested in finding out more about our bookclub, please email Donna Sommer at djsommer@aol.com. Happy Reading!









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Teens driver's education available this summer: Summer driver's education courses for teens ages 15 to 17 are available at 4 p.m. and again at 6 p.m. Monday through Thursdays June 4 through June 28 and July 30 through Aug. 23. The in-classroom driver's education course covers road rules, road signs, and laws to prepare the teens for the Department of Public Safety's written exam. Other topics are car maintenance, effects of drugs and alcohol, laws and penalties for drinking and driving, emergency situations, basic driving procedures, road rage, and insurance. Parents are responsible for the in-car instruction. Students are required to purchase the Texas Traffic Safety Education Student Manual, which is available at the campus bookstore. Call 832-482-1043 for information.

Main Stage Performances Set: Don't miss the choral production of "Camelot" set May 10 – May 12. Then mark your calendars for two children's summer shows – "If You Take a Mouse to the Movies" set June 25 – July 7 and 'Tite Rouge set Aug. 6 – Aug.18.

For tickets and information on these performances, call 281-290-5201 or go online to www.cy-faircollege.com/goto/cfcboxoffice.

Learn Everything About A.L.L. May 15: The first annual business meeting of the Academy for Lifelong Learning at Cy-Fair College, an educational experience for adults, 50 years or better, will be held Tuesday, May 15 at 3 pm. in the Conference Center. Learn about the structure, operational procedures and committee work of A.L.L. with comments from A.L.L. members as well as Dr. Diane Troyer, college

president, and Dean Cliff Jones. The meeting will include a question/answer period followed with a social hour and light refreshments. Applications for membership (only \$10 annually) and registration forms for classes for the summer session will be available. Call 281-290-5246 or go online to www.cyfaircollege/goto/all.

Registration Under Way: Cy-Fair College is the place to be! Summer, continuing education and fall registration are under way at Cy-Fair College and at the Fairbanks Center. With courses designed to transfer to four-year institutions, two-year associate degrees and career programs developed to meet the needs of tomorrow, Cy-Fair College has everything to meet your interests as well as academic and workforce needs. For the best selection on the courses and times that will fit your schedule, register now! Call 281-290-3200 or 832-782-5000 for information; go online to www.cy-faircollege.com; or visit one of our conveniently located campuses at 9191 Barker Cypress or 14955 Northwest Freeway.

Register and Pay Early For Free Tuition: Register and pay (or execute an installment payment plan) for fall credit courses before the close of business Thursday, Aug. 2 and automatically be entered to win free tuition, IPOD Shuffle or \$250 book voucher .The grand prize covers payment of tuition and fees up to \$1,000 for credit classes at the Barker Cypress and Fairbanks campuses. Funds will be posted to the student's account. All winners will be notified and (Continued on page 13)



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announced by Aug. 8.

Call 281-290-3200 or 832-782-5000 for information or go to www. cy-faircollege.com.

L.I.F.E. Programs in May: The Learning, Inspiration, Fellowship and Enrichment (L.I.F.E.) programs are free and held Wednesdays at 10 a.m. in the Cy-Fair College Branch Library (Room 131.) May programs include composting tips, happiness, basics of ghost hunting, color theory and bead making. Call the library at 281-290-3213 for L.I.F.E. program information or check the library web page online at http://cfclibrary.nhmccd.edu.

Library Offers Summer Reading Program, Free Computer Classes and Book Clubs: The Harris County Public Library Cy-Fair College Branch's 2007 Summer Reading Program includes storytime, movies, crafts, a computer kids program, a picnic, performers and more. Registration begins May 29. The library also offers free computer workshops, including a family-friendly class. Topics range from basic computer functions to introductions to the Internet and various software programs. A variety of monthly book clubs are available including mystery, women of the world, democracy, and sports page. There are plenty of youth programs with activities and book clubs for teens and storytime for younger children. Go online to http://cfclibrary.nhmccd.edu for information.

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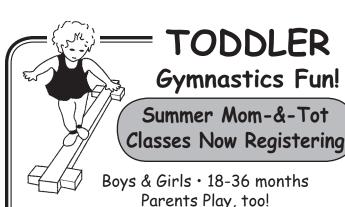
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Neighborhood Recreational Facilities Corner

By Rick Anderson

Well, it is already May and the pool will have opened for summer operations. I hope everyone has begun to enjoy the use of the pool. The pool dates and hours of operation are noted in this issue as well as the upcoming issues of the Newsletter. Once again, Greater Houston Pool Management will be managing the pool operations for the neighborhood and we look forward to a great season with them.

The Wortham Villages Homeowner's Association is hosting our annual Pool Opening Party on Saturday April 28, 2007 from 12 to 1pm. We will be having food, beverages and prizes. We will



have door prizes as well as other prizes for the children. Greater Houston Pool Management will also be setting up games for the kids throughout the event. It will be a great time and we look forward to everyone being there to enjoy the time together. So please note it on your calendar now.

Also, the Wortham Villages Board of Directors and the Recreational Facilities Committee handed out pool tags on, Saturday April 21, Sunday April 22 and Tuesday April 24, 2007. As in the past only those homeowner's in good standing (no outstanding Maintenance Fees or deed violations) will be allowed to receive pool tags. People who do not pick up tags at this time will need to contact Crest Management and pay a fee, so please make an effort to get them during the times noted.

We will have some new furniture in place when the pool season starts as well. We are planning on replacing half the furniture this year and the remainder next year. Hope you all will enjoy the furniture. We are also looking at replacing the playground equipment at the pool area and the Recreational Facilities Committee has completed some design/costing scenarios regarding this and have presented them to the Board of Directors for review. Our hope is to have the new playground equipment in place by mid-summer.

Thanks to everyone for making this neighborhood a great place to live and let's enjoy the summer season ahead of us.

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\$220,000 - 249,999	0	0	0	0	0	1
\$200,000 - 219,999	2	2	1	0	1	1
\$180,000 - 199,999	1	0	1	0	1	0
\$160,000 - 179,999	2	1	0	0	2	1
\$160,000 -	0	0	1	0	1	1
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