

Sterling Lakes

A CANYON GATE® COMMUNITY

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COMMUNITY EVENTS



COOKIES WITH SANTA & TOY DRIVE

Saturday, December 14 10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

Take your photo with **Jolly St. Nick** as we welcome in the Holiday Season! Located at the SplashPad, we'll be serving holiday treats & entertainment for children young & old!

Don't forget your camera!

We're hosting a Toy Drive!

If you'd like to contribute, please bring a **NEW UNWRAPPED** toy to the SplashPad.

FALL FESTIVAL

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27
2:00 PM – 4:00 PM**

All residents are invited to join in the fun with your fellow ghouls and goblins. Our annual Fall Festival will be located at the SplashPad. There will be carnival games, a DJ, prizes, bounce house, snacks and tons of fun!

If you would like to volunteer to help with the games, or need community service hours for school, please contact mevrard@canyongate.com.

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HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS

Sterling Lakes Property Owners Association

PCMI Management/Agent	(281) 870-0585
SL Information & Technology Center	(281) 778-2000
SplashPad Texas Onsite Office	(281) 778-2000
Gate Attendant	(281) 778-2015
Houston National Golf Club.....	(281) 304-1400

Utilities

En-Touch (Customer Service).....	(281) 225-1000
Electricity (TXU)	(866) 979-5265
Gas (Centerpoint)	(713) 659-2111
Trash (Waste Management)	(800) 800-5804
Water (Si Environmental, LLC).....	(832) 490-1600
Electricity (street light outage)	www.centerpointenergy.com/outage
Texas One Call System (Call Before you Dig)	811

Property Tax Authorities

Brazoria County Tax	(281) 756-1320
MUD #31 Operator.....	(281) 482-0216

Public Services

Rosharon Post Office	(281) 595-3331
Toll Road EZ Tag	(281) 875-3279
Voters Registration	(281) 756-1131
Vehicle Registration	(281) 756-2450
Drivers License Information	(281) 756-1521
Alvin/Manvel Chamber	(281) 331-3944
Animal Control	(979) 864-2265

Police & Fire

Emergency.....	911
Brazoria County Sheriff's Dept.	(281) 756-2392
Iowa Colony Vol. Fire Dept. (non emergency)	(281) 369-3969
Emergency Medical Services (non emergency)	(281) 489-6144
Poison Control	(800) 222-1222

Education

Alvin ISD	(281) 388-1130
Don Jeter Elementary (K-6).....	(281) 245-3055
Manvel Junior High (7-8).....	(281) 245-2078
Manvel High School (9-12).....	(281) 245-2232

Higher Education

Alvin Community College.....	(281) 756-3500
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Sterling Lakes Builders

CastleRock	(281) 778-0822
D.R. Horton Homes	(832) 771-3730
LGI	(855) 210-2619
Westin	(832) 886-5674



To Contact The Board:

Please address the Board of Directors via your PCMI representative, Mary Carey:

PCMI
P.O. Box 219223
Houston, TX 77218
(281) 870-0585
mcarey@pcmi-us.com

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GREAT BUSINESS RATES TOO!



2014 Assessment Payments

Each year, assessments are due on January 1 but did you know that you can make payments, in advance? Any payment made will be credited to your account and reduce the total amount that is owed on January 1, 2014.

If you would like to take advantage of this option, you can send a check to POA of Sterling Lakes c/o PCMI, P.O. Box 219223, Houston, TX 77218

Be sure to include your address in the memo line of your check.

TRASH - Important Information

Remember: Unless it is trash pick up day, your trash cans (and any bags of trash) must be hidden from public view. Please do not store your trash cans in front of your garage or on the side of your home – your neighbors don't want to look out their windows and see your garbage either.

STERLING LAKE TRASH PICK-UP SCHEDULE

Wednesday & Saturday - Trash containers must be at curb by 7AM on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Recycle bins are picked up on Saturdays.

Note: Heavy pick-up day - Saturday

Service Provider: Waste Management – (800) 800-5804



FAQ for November

Question: I want to make a change to the exterior of my property, what do I need to do to gain ACC review/approval and why?

Answer: The community deed restrictions have requirements recorded that state that any exterior modification to your property must receive documented Architectural Control approval (aka ARC form). This form can be found on the community website. If past modifications were completed and not recorded as having this approval they may be noted during inspection and a letter sent in an effort to update our community records and ensure that your property is in compliance with the rules.



Have you logged in yet?

WWW.CANYONGATE.COM/RESIDENTS/SL

Features of the Sterling Lakes Community Intranet include:

- Resident Directory (names posted only with resident approval)
- Current Events and Activities
- Documents and Forms (i.e. ARC guidelines, deed restrictions, financials, etc.)
- Event Photos and MORE!



Regular Watering

Regular watering, mowing, edging and weeding are ongoing homeowner maintenance responsibilities. Your neighbors love you when you do your part to keep the community beautiful and they complain to others when you don't. Your Association management team is receiving an abundance of calls concerning dying grass and lack of mowing/edging/weeding. Please note, your management team is sending out violation letters and charging back for 'force mows'. If dying grass cannot be brought back to life, the resident will have to go to the expense to re-sod. For all our residents who consistently do an excellent job at maintaining, we sincerely thank you for your hard work.

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Magnificent VII

STERLING LAKES - SECTION 7

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT - OCTOBER 1, 2013

Our First Responders from Iowa Colony VFD and our Second Responders from Manvel EMS stopped by – they are volunteer – so don't forget they need your donations. Watch for a future fund

raising event to come. We were very privileged to get to talk to them one on one. The children had a great time climbing all of the fire trucks, blowing the horns and playing with the bells and whistles...



1. The Main Team: Brenda Phillips & Ingar O'Neal served up the BBQ and all the fixings, not to forget about Husband Darrell O'Neal that cooked the brisket, chicken and sausage for our feast.

2&4. Neighbors, neighbors and more neighbors – that's what it's all about!! Know your neighbor – it's the safest thing to do.

3. Plate of food.

5. The fire fighters suited up so we could see how they work.

6. The kids had fun on the inflatable jumper as well as some of the adults were having a good time while jumping rope...

Seeking Section Leaders and Block Captains

You can make a difference – so many of our homeowners have talents and gifts that could contribute to the value of our neighborhood. Consider a volunteer position to increase awareness and safety for your biggest investment and community.

For more information on becoming a block captain or section leader, please contact Michelle Evrard, Director of Community Events, at mevrard@canyongate.com or (713) 783-6702.

YOUR 2013 SECTION LEADERS INCLUDE:

Section 1: Lee McKinney (montecman@yahoo.com)

Section 2: OPEN

Section 3: Ashton Pace (smokeatercc@yahoo.com)

Section 4: Benjamin Hammond
(benandbevhammond.sterlinglakes@gmail.com)

Section 5: OPEN

Section 6: OPEN

Section 7: Martha Steele (martha.steele@edi-international.com)

Section 9: OPEN

Sterling Lakes 2013 Event Calendar

Cookies with Santa - Saturday, December 14

Please contact Michelle Evrard, Director of Community Events, at mevrard@canyongate.com if you would like to volunteer for any of our events! Events are subject to change.

*** For more event information, please visit www.canyongate.com/residents/sl**

BUSINESS CLASSIFIEDS

SABER POWER SERVICES is now hiring a Janitor to care for facility maintenance and the property / landscaping. Application and other employment opportunities can be found at www.saberpower.com.



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Board Approved Committees and Descriptions

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Assist the community in creating, implementing and supporting events and activities. These events include, "Egg"stravaganza, Pool Parties, Cookies with Santa and more!

LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

The primary role is to support a social club for landscaping ideas, also known as the Garden Club. They are responsible for inviting horticulture guest speakers for community events and sharing a general interest in landscaping. They also assist with the Holiday Decoration Yard Contest.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

To assist the community in creating, implementing and supporting communication efforts including the newsletter, intranet and section leaders and block captains. They also assist with the Holiday Decoration Yard Contest.

TRAFFIC/SAFETY COMMITTEE

Assists with safety and awareness within the community, making recommendations to the Board for placement of stop signs and speed humps.

ADOPT A SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Provides recommendations to the Board of Directors for the donation of AAS funds to the schools within that community for educational school items, such as computers, library books, etc. These funds also may be allotted for enhancements within the community such as sidewalks, playground areas or other improvements that will benefit the students of the community.

STERLING LAKES SPLASHPAD TEXAS HOURS

Business Office (2nd Floor), PHONE: 281-778-2000

EMAIL: sterlinglakes@entouch.net

Office Hours:

Tuesday through Saturday – 10:00am until 6:00pm

Fitness Center Hours:

7 days a week – 5:00am until 10:00pm

Onsite Community Manager: Sophia Clark-El

Please visit or contact this office to register for amenity & gate access.

SplashPad Texas Cabana Rentals

SplashPad Texas has a private cabana that is available for party rentals by residents only. Residents may reserve the party cabana for a nominal fee year- round during regular office hours. The private cabana for party rentals can accommodate up to fifteen people (includes adult supervision) for a maximum of 3 hours per event.

Please contact the SplashPad Texas office at (281) 778-2000 for further details.

November Developer Update

Sterling Lakes currently has 550 completed homes, your new homebuilders include:

Castle Rock	\$140's – \$250's
D.R. Horton Homes	\$200's – \$240's
LGI	\$130's – \$160's
Westin	\$200 – 260's

Lawn Maintenance

In the case of visible neglect of lawn maintenance, and unresponsiveness from the resident, the HOA reserves the right to mow and/or edge the resident's lawn and charge them for the services rendered. A flat \$ 80 fee will be charged to the homeowner, regardless of whether the entire lawn will need maintenance, or if only edging (sidewalks, driveways, etc.) is required. The HOA has discretion as to which services are needed at the time of service.

For more information on the deed restrictions, please visit www.canyongate.com/residents/sl.



**Stop
Litter**

Littering Hurts us All

Neighborhood appearance is a major concern when choosing a new home. Trash bins left on the street, vehicles in disrepair, yards left unattended all contribute the image we project as Sterling Lakes residents.

Take a look around your property and see if there's anything you could do to improve things. If you have a neighbor who is struggling to keep up with the physical demands of home ownership, see if you can help without sounding critical. One gesture will surely lead to another, and we will all benefit.

This is what neighborhoods are all about.

New To The Community? Just Moved In?

We're glad you've chosen Sterling Lakes as your new home! Please register at the onsite community office for access to the SplashPad, fitness center and other community amenities! For office hours, directions and additional information, call (281) 778-2000.

Keep our Lakes Clean

Please help us keep our community beautiful by NOT THROWING trash and debris into the lakes. In addition, there is NO SWIMMING, BOATING OR FISHING in the LAKES.

Planning On Outdoor Home Improvements?

When planning to do any outdoor home improvements, you must first apply for approval from the Architectural Review Committee by submitting a home improvement form. Visit the SplashPad office or call 281-778-2000 for an ARC form and more information.

REMEMBER: Please Call Before You Dig

Texas One Call System: dial "811"

Prior to performing work on your property, call the "Texas One Call System at 811". They will mark the location of the utility lines easement within your property. Remember, damages to any utility lines within your property can affect services to YOU and YOUR neighbor's homes. Thanks for taking time to call before you dig!

Healthy Yards

You're ready to begin creating an outdoor space that's healthy for wildlife, for you and your family, and for the environment. Whether you're just starting out or already on your way there, Audubon can help you reach your goal. <http://athome.audubon.org/>



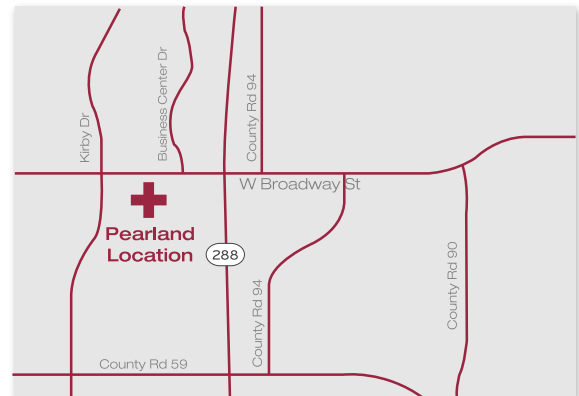
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