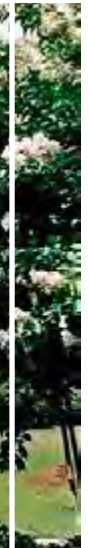




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Stone Gate Slate

THE OFFICIAL HOA NEWSLETTER
of Stone Gate, Canyon Lakes, Canyon Lake
Villages and Canyon Lakes West



March 2014

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"EGG"STRAVAGANZA

Stone Gate Community
Saturday, April 12, 2014
10:00AM – 12:00PM
Sterling Country Club
at Houston National

Hop on over to your community Easter event at the Sterling Country Club at Houston National to enjoy our annual egg hunt. Egg hunts will include age groups of 2 and under, 3 - 5, 6 - 8 and 9 +. Each group will hunt separately, so it's fair for every-"bunny"! We'll have light refreshments and fun!

Don't forget your basket!

Photos with the Bunny will be sponsored
at the Houston National event by:

Maggie Vazquez, Realtor

Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate Gary Greene
11734 Barker Cypress Rd #116
Cypress, TX 77433
832-334-0001

Margaret.Vazquez@garygreene.com

and

Ginger Hurley

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Canyon Lakes West Residents
Saturday, April 12, 2014
2PM – 4PM

Join the festivities at the Canyon Lakes West Recreation Center! We'll have light refreshments and fun!

Bring your camera as Peter Cottontail will be available for pictures! Don't forget your basket!



IMPORTANT NUMBERS

ON-SITE OFFICES & GATE ATTENDANTS

| | |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| S-G Clubhouse Office | 281-304-7448 |
| S-G Gatehouse | 281-256-3620 |
| Splashpad Texas Office | 281-213-9777 |

PROPERTY TAXES

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Harris County Appraisal District | 713-224-1919 |
| Water / Remington MUD #1 | 281-579-4500 |
| Water / MUD #165 | 713-932-9011 |

POLICE & FIRE

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|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Emergency | 911 |
| Harris County Sheriff | 713-221-6000 |
| Precinct #5 Constable | 281-463-6666 |
| Cy-Fair Volunteer Fire Station | 713-466-4073 |
| Texas DPS | 281-232-4334 |
| Cy-Fair Medical Center | 281-890-4285 |
| North Cypress Medical Center | 832-912-3500 |
| Poison Control | 800-222-1222 |

UTILITIES

Electricity (call your provider)

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| Centerpoint Energy | 713-207-2222 |
| Power To Choose | 866-797-4839 |
| Gas (Centerpoint Energy Entex) | 713-659-2111 |

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| AT & T | 800-464-7928 |
| AT & T U-verse | 866-299-6824 |
| Comcast - Cable/High Speed Internet | 713-341-1000 |
| Trash Pickup (WCA Waste) | 281-368-8397 |
| Water (Remington MUD #1) (S-G-STES) | 281-579-4500 |

PUBLIC SERVICE

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Harris Co. Animal Control | 281-999-3191 |
| Harris County Toll Road Auth | 281-875-3279 |
| Voter Registration | 713-224-1919 |
| Auto Registration | 713-368-2000 |
| Cy-Fair Houston Chamber of Commerce | 281-373-1390 |
| Metro Park and Ride | 713-635-4000 |
| Lone Star College Library | 281-290-3200 |
| Gulf Coast Reg Blood Ctr | 713-790-1200 |

U.S. POST OFFICES

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|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Stone Gate & Canyon Lakes | 281-859-9021 |
| Canyon Lakes West | 281-373-3372 |

SCHOOLS

| | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Cy-Fair ISD District Office | 281-897-4000 |
| | www.cfsd.net |

CANYON LAKES WEST & PINE CREEK CONTACTS

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Rec Center Office | 281-855-0984 |
| CLW Gatehouse | 281-858-6106 |
| Smith Middle School | 281-213-1010 |
| Postma Elementary School | 281-345-3660 |
| Hopper Middle School | 281-463-5353 |
| Cypress Springs High School | 281-345-3000 |
| H2O Consulting/Harris County MUD #165 | 281-861-6215 |
| Spring Cypress Post Office | 281-373-3372 |
| Property Tax: MUD #165 | 713-932-9011 |
| Gatehouse | 281-858-6100 |

ASSOCIATION'S MANAGEMENT COMPANY CONTACT INFORMATION

Principal Management Group of Houston (PMG) has been contracted by the Board of Directors to manage the day-to-day activities of the community. In order to contact the community's Board of Directors or if residents have concerns, questions about their account, or deed restriction violations to report, please put the information in writing and send via e-mail to Mike Crahan at m.crahan@pmghouston.com or call PMG at 713-329-7100

TO CONTACT THE BOARD:

Please address the Board of Directors via your PMG representative, Mike Crahan:

Principal Management Group of Houston
11000 Corporate Center Drive, Suite 150
Houston, TX 77041
713-329-7100
m.crahan@pmghouston.com

HAVE YOU LOGGED IN YET?

WWW.CANYONGATE.COM/RESIDENTS/SG

Features of the Stone Gate & Canyon Lakes West intranet include:

- Email Blasts On Community News & Events
- Resident Directory
- Current Events & Activities
- News
- Official Documents & Forms
- Event Photos and MORE!



NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

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| Article Submission | marketing@canयोगate.com |
| Advertising | advertising@PEELinc.com |

ADVERTISING INFORMATION

Please support the businesses that advertise in the Stone Gate Slate. Their advertising dollars make it possible for all Stone Gate residents to receive the monthly newsletter at no charge. If you would like to support the newsletter by advertising, please contact our sales office at 888-687-6444 or advertising@PEELinc.com. The advertising deadline is the 8th of each month for the following month's newsletter.

PROPERTY MANAGER

Michael Crahan is your property manager. Michael can be reached at 713-329-7141 or m.crahan@pmghouston.com. Please add Michael to your contact list. You may also contact the Principal Management main office line at 713-329-7100.

ONSITE OFFICES

Stone Gate Rec Center Office

Closed Sun. & Mon.
Tue. - 9am - 8pm
Wed. - Sat. - 9am - 5pm
281-304-7448
stonegaterec@att.net
11655 Canyon Green Dr.,
Houston, TX 77095

Stone Gate SplashPad Onsite Office

Tue.-Sat. 9:00am-5:00pm
281-213-9777
9901 Red Rugosa,
Houston, TX 77095

Canyon Lakes West Rec Center Office

Sunday - Closed
Mon., Tue., Wed., Fri., Sat. 9am - 5pm
Thur. 9am - 8pm
281-855-0984
canyonlakeswest@att.net
19722 Stanton Lake Dr.,
Cypress, TX 77433

AMENITY ACCESS

Canyon Lakes West is in the same homeowner's association as Stone Gate and both Canyon Lakes West and Stone Gate amenities can be shared by all residents.

To sign up for Stone Gate amenities, residents of Canyon Lakes West must go to the Recreation Center at Stone Gate and show them a copy of their driver's license to show proof of residency and then they can register there. The two recreation centers are on different computer systems and in order to use the Stone Gate amenities, residents must sign up on their system and vice versa.

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**STONE
GATE
2014 EVENT
CALENDAR**

WED. JAN. 8

Night at the Houston Rockets

SAT. APR. 12

"Egg"stravaganza

SAT. APRIL 26

Spring Garage Sale

SAT. APR. 26

Document Shedding Day

SAT. JUN. 7

**End of School Party
- poolside**

SAT. AUG. 2

**End of Summer Party
- poolside**

SAT. SEPT. TBD

Night at the Astros

SAT. SEPT. 13

Fall Garage Sale

MON. SEPT. 15

SG Resident Golf Tour.

TUE. OCT. 7

National Night Out

SAT. NOV. 15

Ladies Brunch & Trunk Show

SAT. NOV. 22

Gingerbread House Making

SAT. DEC. 6

Cookies with Santa

DEC. 7-13

**Holiday Yard
Decoration Contest**

Please contact

**Melinda Garcia, Director
of Community Events,** at
mgarcia@canyongate.com
if you would like to volunteer
for any of our events!
Events are subject to change.

**Postma Elementary
"I Spy" Spring Carnival**

Saturday, March 8, 2014, 12:00 - 4:00 PM
18425 West Road Cypress, Texas 77433



Riddle me this: **What do you get when you put together
Postma families, staff and the community?**

Answer: **Postma Elementary Annual Spring Carnival!**

We are happy to announce that with increased partnerships with area companies and businesses, we are able to bring you a carnival that has more games, awesome prizes, a variety of food and concession choices and more fun! We have also SUPERSIZED our silent auction to include a live auction with family friendly items and other things our children are sure to love!

All monies raised for the event will be used for class room supplies, learning garden and other educational materials to enhance our children's education. This year, we are pleased to have implemented a program called Watch D.O.G.S. (Dads of Great Students). The program works to get more positive male role models involved at our school.

If you are a business owner interested in donating an auction item or basket or if you'd like to be a sponsor, contact us at thonia@yahoo.com or 281-635-6466.

Mark your calendar and bring your family and friends to join us for our Spring Carnival on March 8th. All members of our Cy-Fair community are welcome!
See you at the Carnival!!!!!!!

This event is possible with generous support from:
7 Acre Woods, Gringo's, Bella Nova Day Spa & Retreat, bp, Cypress Breakfast House, Edible Arrangements, Fleming's, HEB, Painting with a Twist, Pine Cove, The Cheesecake Factory and Wal-mart. We thank you!

Community Email Blasts & More

Have you logged in yet?
www.canyongate.com/residents/sg

Features of the Stone Gate Community Intranet include:

- Community email blasts
 - Current Events and Activities
 - Documents and Forms
- (i.e. ARC guidelines, deed restrictions, financials, etc.)
- MORE!
 - New accounts take up to 7 days for approval

The intranet is for all SG Owners Association residents
including Canyon Lakes West

Let Remington MUD 1 Hear Your Vote
sgvote@yahoo.com

Due to a number of residents that have expressed interest in

If approved, further details will follow during implementation by the provider, and a small additional cost not to exceed \$4 per home per month would be included in your water bill. WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU! Please send feedback on this matter to sgvote@yahoo.com and be sure to include your name and street address.



If you have considered moving, please contact us for an update on current market values. 2014 may be your year to make a move.



margaret.vazquez@garygreene.com



Happy Valentine's Day!

Nobody knows the neighborhood like a neighbor!

S-G OWNERS ASSOCIATION INC. BOARD APPROVED COMMITTEES AND DESCRIPTIONS

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SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Assist the community in creating, implementing and supporting events and activities. These events include, "Egg"stravaganza, Ladies Brunch & Trunk Show, 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.

Interested in participating on a committee or learning more? Contact Anna Lyons at mgarcia@canyongate.com!

SEEKING SECTION LEADERS AND BLOCK CAPTAINS

To increase community awareness, the Communications Committee is actively reestablishing and recruiting section leaders and block captains. For more information on becoming a section leader or block captain, contact mgarcia@canyongate.com

Our next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 27th at 7PM in the SG Rec Center. Please email Melinda Garcia at mgarcia@canyongate.com to RSVP. Anyone is welcome to attend, to learn more about the program! Serving as a Section Leader/Block Captain is a great opportunity to meet more of your neighbors and create awareness in your community. The time commitment is minimal, the impact great!

SPRING BREAK GATE CLOSURES

The gates will be closed during the Spring Break holiday. Please be sure to register your EZ Tags with your On-site Manager to gain access to the gates.

LET US KEEP OUR NEIGHBORHOODS LITTER FREE!

Take responsibility for yourself & be a good neighbor! Keep our streets & neighborhood trash & litter free! Make it a habit, be a good neighbor & do your part!

If each person did their own part (around the outside of their home including their little stretch of street in front of their house), what a better place this would be to live!

A clean environment/neighborhood makes people feel good about themselves. They will keep it clean. Some need to be reminded. Others need to be continually reminded. It takes time to change habits. Keeping your neighborhood clean is a habit that takes conscious effort.

REMINDER ABOUT BASKETBALL GOALS

Basketball is a fun sport that many like to play. As a reminder, please make sure that all basketball goals are kept in an upright position in your driveway. Basketball goals should not be left in the street at anytime. Leaving basketball goals in the street can be a nuisance to

drivers in the community and a hazard should there be a need for an emergency vehicle to gain access to your street. Please note this is also a violation and if you receive violation letters regarding this matter you could be sent to the attorney and be liable for these charges.

PET CONTROL



Stone Gate Community has had many loose dogs & cats lately. Please do your part to keep your animals safe and contained on your property.

PLEASE CONTROL YOUR PETS!

It is a deed restriction violation if your pets are not confined to a fenced backyard or within your home. They must not be allowed to bark all night or cause a nuisance to your neighbors. They must also be on a leash at all times when not in a contained environment. It is also the pet owner's responsibility to keep ALL areas of the community FREE from pet debris when walking your pets. Please remember that cats must also be confined. Animal Control can be reached at 281-999-3191.

If you happen to come across vicious dogs, or ANY loose dogs of this nature, please contact your local Animal Control at 281-999-3191. If you are familiar with the property address the pets belong to, please feel free to submit that information to

PCMI – Kaye Follie Kaye.Follie@stservices.com – to pursue the deed restriction violation. Notification and ample time must be given to the owner to correct the violation prior to any further pursuit by the Association.

Remember that all pets should always wear a collar with ID tag! Pet owners should also consider pet microchips for identification in case your pet loses their collar/ID tag.

DID YOU KNOW?

There is a Lost Pet Feature to Community Intranet

- Log into www.canyongate.com/residents/sg (login required)
- Click on “classifieds” under Resources located on left side of menu
- Click on “lost & found pets”

You personally can create a description of the lost or found pet as well as add photos. Please include your contact information to speed up communications.

The advertisement for Cypress Creek Pest Control features a white pickup truck on the left side, parked in front of a house. The truck has the company logo and phone number on its side. On the right side, the company logo is displayed with the text "CYPRESS CREEK PEST CONTROL" and a stylized tree. Below the logo, it says "Providing Quality Dependable Service Since 1968". The main offer is "Free yard treatment for new Quarterly customer" with the phone number "281-469-2679" and email "nobugs@cycreekpestcontrol.com".

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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 \$ 85 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/sg.

FERTILIZING YOUR LAWN

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STREET TREES & TREE STAKES

It is a good time to review the trees on your

property and undertake trimming and maintenance, as necessary. Remember to give special attention to your street trees, those that are situated between the sidewalk and road. As live oaks mature, their branches have a tendency to dip down towards the ground and their canopy needs to be thinned and trimmed. The canopy of street trees needs to be pruned to ensure that the branches do not impede passing traffic. Unused tree stakes should also be removed, as they can become unsightly.

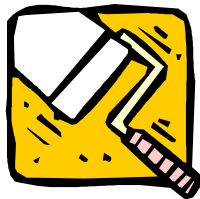
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OIL STAIN CLEAN UP

1. Clean up any fresh oil stains by blotting the surface with newspaper.

2. Sprinkle a layer of clay-based cat box litter over the top of the oil stain. You want to completely cover the stain so that you can no longer see it through the litter. The litter will soak up the oil from the concrete.

3. Monitor the color of the litter several times while it is sitting on the stain. As the oil becomes absorbed into the litter, it will change to a darker color. When the litter changes colors, remove the old litter by sweeping it up with a broom. Dispose of the discolored litter as you did the oil-soaked newspapers. Sprinkle more litter onto the stain the same way you did in the prior step and continue to let it soak up the oil. Leave the stain covered with litter for a minimum of one day. Clean away all the litter after 24 hours. Sweep up the litter and dispose of it.

4. Apply a liquid dish detergent with grease-cutting agents to the oil stain. Use a scrub brush to rub the detergent into the stain.

5. Allow the detergent to settle for five minutes, then scrub the detergent into the stain again using short, circular movements.

6. Pour 1 cup of boiling water on to the dish detergent covered stain. Use your scrub brush to rub the water and soap into the stain. Take care not to burn yourself.

7. Blot up the now oily and soapy water with newspaper after the mixture has cooled for several minutes. Dispose of the newspaper. Continue to blot the area until you have absorbed all of the oily water.

8. Pour another 2 cups of boiling water over the stain. This will wash away any oily water that was not absorbed by the newspaper. Be careful not to burn yourself. If the stain is still present, repeat the process.



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