

THE ATASCOCITA FOREST COMMUNITY GAZETTE

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2017 POOL SCHEDULE



The pool is officially open and summer is in full swing! As many of you may have noticed, we are trying out a modified pool schedule

this year based on the results of the Resident Satisfaction Survey (late 2016). Many residents expressed a desire for the pool to be open later / longer, and for there to be some earlier swim hours before the full heat of mid-day and afternoon set in. The board faced two challenges with the pool schedule this year: first, residents' desire for different hours; and second, the 2017 – 2018 Humble ISD school year starts four days later than usual, so the pool needed to be open four additional days over the existing contract dates.

The board worked very hard to find a way to accommodate residents' wishes and the school calendar while ensuring that the cost of adding additional pool open hours was kept under control in order to remain within our annual budget. The board looked at previous years' pool usage logs and determined that Tuesdays are historically the slowest pool day. Based on that information and after much discussion, the board opted to better utilize those "open hours" on Tuesdays on other days; therefore, the pool will be closed on Mondays and Tuesdays, and the hours that would have been used on Tuesdays are spread across the remaining five days as follows:

2017 POOL SEASON: MAY 29 – SEPT. 4 REGULAR SCHEDULE

Monday – Tuesday	Closed
Wednesday	12 PM – 8 PM
Thursday	10 AM – 6 PM
Friday	12 PM – 8 PM
Saturday	11 AM – 8 PM
Sunday	12 PM – 7 PM

HOLIDAY & SCHOOL SCHEDULE

Memorial Day (5/29)	11 AM – 8 PM
July 4th	11 AM – 8 PM
Labor Day (9/4)	11 AM – 8 PM
5/30 – 6/1 (School)	Closed
8/28 – 9/1 (School)	Closed

The pool schedule is available to view and download on the AtascocitaForest.org website under Community Amenities > Pool & Splash Pad.

We also wanted to let residents know that we have set up an email account dedicated to pool questions and concerns: pool@atascocitaforest.org. Residents are urged to email us to report any issues at the pool during open season.

SPLASH PAD UPDATES

Residents have also frequently expressed their wish for the splash pad to be accessible outside of pool open hours and we are currently in the process of making this happen. We are installing a separate gate access point to the splash pad area from the park, which will allow families to enjoy this amenity even when the pool is not open. We are still working out some final details, but this will be happening soon. We will post and publish updates as they are available.

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Swimming Lessons Available at the Pool This Year!



American Pool, the pool management with which we have contracted for the 2017 pool season, will be offering swimming lessons at the Atascocita Forest pool this summer! Lessons will be

offered for all ages at \$40 each with an experienced and certified swimming instructor. Lessons may be scheduled during any of the pool open hours, and on Mondays (Tuesdays are unavailable due to pool cleaning and maintenance).

To find out more information, ask questions, or to schedule lessons, please contact Adam Berthelot with American Pool – Houston: (281) 916-0020, or ABerthelot@AmericanPool.com

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6 Month Atascocita Forest Home Sales Report

Sales Range	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.
\$250K to \$300K	0	0	0	0	0	0
\$200K to \$249K	1	3	2	0	3	2
\$150K to \$199K	2	4	2	2	6	5
\$100K to \$149K	6	3	3	4	0	1
Less Than \$100K	0	0	0	0	1	0
Total	9	10	7	6	5	8
Highest \$/sq ft	\$104.93	\$95.43	\$90.38	\$95.43	\$90.38	\$90.38
Average \$/sq ft	\$88.69	\$76.16	\$79.14	\$72.36	\$63.72	\$81.43

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MUD BOARD & BOND ELECTION RESULTS

The MUD Board and Bond election concluded on May 6. Crystal Counts-Kirby (34 votes) of Atascocita Forest was elected as the new member to the board, and both Virginia Elkins (23 votes) and Jo Smith (26 votes) were reelected. The MUD board will now include: Jeff Campbell, Crystal Counts-Kirby, Virginia Elkins, Jo Smith, and Bill Sheppard. Crystal, the newest director wished to express her thanks to the district voters: “I sincerely want to thank everyone who voted for me. I met a lot of people and in turn made some great friends during my campaign and the election process. My goal as director is to be a liaison between the MUD board and our community, by helping to bridge the gap that many residents feel exists today.”

Additionally, both bond propositions were passed. Proposition 1, which requested a bond for maintenance and upgrades to water and sewer equipment and facilities in the district, was passed with 55 votes for and 10 against. Proposition 2, which requested a bond for the development and construction of a park facility on Woodland Hills Dr., was passed with 50 votes for and 16 against.

Out of more than 2,770 homes in the MUD district, fewer than 70 ballots were cast in this election, meaning approximately 0.01% of district households participated.

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House Flies TEXAS A&M AGRI LIFE EXTENSION



Moving into summer, we should prepare for the inevitable....house flies. While many see house flies as a nuisance, they are capable of spreading diseases such as dysentery or food poisoning. Due to the locations house flies frequent- garbage, manure, and carrion- they can pick up bacteria and other disease organisms which can transfer to other areas where they may land such as dishes, food, or countertops. House flies regurgitate onto food to liquefy it before eating and they can further contaminate items by defecating upon surfaces.

The common house fly has two wings and is dull gray with black stripes on the thorax (the section where the wings are attached). Adult flies can only eat liquid foods and have sponging mouthparts specialized to help them feed.

Eggs are usually laid on decaying matter such as animal fecal material, grass clippings, or garbage. Around 100-150 eggs are laid by the female. Depending upon temperature (warmer temperatures speed things up); eggs may hatch within 8 hours to 2 days.

Maggots, the immature stage of a fly, are small, white, carrot-shaped, and

legless. There are 3 larval molts then mature larvae seek a dry location for pupation. Pupae are reddish brown and somewhat oval in shape.

During the summer, house flies may live up to 2.5 weeks while during cooler times of the year they may live up to 3 months.

The key to fly management is sanitation, or cleaning. Eliminate breeding sites by picking up animal waste one to two times per week; empty garbage cans regularly; clean garbage cans at least once a month with soapy water. Keep garbage cans located away from doors that lead into the home and make sure they have tight fitting lids.

Other items that can help reduce fly problems include keeping window screens in good repair; making sure doors and windows have a tight seal and weather stripping is in good condition; and using fly swatters or sticky fly paper to get rid of adult flies.

For more information or help with identification, contact Wizzie Brown, Texas AgriLife Extension Service Program Specialist at 512.854.9600. Check out my blog at www.urban-ipm.blogspot.com

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Ingredients

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- 1 (15 oz.) can pizza sauce, divided
- 2 garlic cloves, crushed
- 1 1/2 c. shredded pizza cheese
- 1/2 c. diced Canadian bacon
- 1/2 c. chopped pepperoni
- 2 (8 oz.) tubes refrigerated crescent rolls

Instructions

1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees.
2. In a large skillet over medium heat cook sausage and garlic until no longer pink. Drain grease off. Stir in 1/2 c. pizza sauce, pepperoni, Canadian bacon and 1 c. pizza cheese.
3. Unroll crescent dough and separate into triangles. Arrange triangles on a 14 inch ungreased pizza pan with points toward the outside and wide ends overlapping at the center, leaving a 4 inch opening in the center. Press overlapping dough to seal.
4. Spoon the mixture onto the wide ends of the triangles. Fold pointed ends of triangles over filling, tucking points under to form a ring. The filling will be visible.
5. Baked for 12-15 minutes or until the crescents are golden brown. Sprinkle with remaining cheese. Bake 5 minutes longer or until cheese is melted. Serve with remaining pizza sauce.

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