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# **Father's Day**

Father's Day is on the third Sunday of June and is an occasion to mark and celebrate the contribution that your own father has made to your life by sending or giving cards or gifts to their fathers. Common Father's Day gifts include sports items or clothing, electronic gadgets, outdoor cooking supplies and tools for household maintenance.

Father's Day is a relatively modern holiday so different families have a range of traditions that can range from a simple phone call or greetings card to large parties honoring all of the 'father' figures in a particular extended family. Father figures can include fathers, step-fathers, fathers-in-law, grandfathers and great-grandfathers and even other male relatives. In the days and weeks before Father's Day, many schools and Sunday schools help their pupils to prepare a handmade card or small gift for their fathers.

There are a range of events, which may have inspired the idea of Father's Day. One of these was the start of the Mother's Day tradition in the first decade of the 20th century. Another was a memorial service held in 1908 for a large group of men, many of them fathers, who were killed in a mining accident in Monongah, West Virginia in December 1907.

A woman named Sonora Smart Dodd was an influential figure in the establishment of Father's Day. Her father raised six children by himself after the death of their mother. This was uncommon at that time, as many widowers placed their children in the care of others or quickly married again.

Sonora was inspired by the work of Anna Jarvis, who had pushed for Mother's Day celebrations. Sonora felt that her father deserved recognition for what he had done. The first time Father's Day was held in June was in 1910. Father's Day was officially recognized as a holiday in 1972 by President Nixon.

# Park Lakes 2017 Pool Season

#### **Clubhouse Pool Hours**

May 6 through June 2

Saturday and Memorial Day 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Sunday 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

June 3 through August 20

Monday and Tuesday CLOSED

 Wednesday
 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

 Thursday and Friday
 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

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 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

 Sunday
 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

 July 4th
 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

August 21 through September 4

Monday to Friday CLOSED

Saturday 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Sunday 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Labor Day 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

#### Splash Pad and Splash Pad Pool Hours

May 6 through June 2

Monday to Friday CLOSED

Saturday and Memorial Day 12:00 p.m.to 7:00 p.m.

Sunday 12:0

12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

June 3 through August 20

Monday and Wednesday CLOSED

Tuesday 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Thursday to Saturday 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Sunday 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. July 4th 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

August 21 through September 4

Monday to Friday CLOSED

 Saturday
 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

 Sunday
 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

 Labor Day
 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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Preparation: 20 minutes Cook Time: 20 minutes Serves: 8

### **Ingredients**

- 1 lb. Italian Sausage
- 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 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.

### PARK LAKES POOL RULES

#### **Kiddie Pool Rules**

- 1. Adult supervision required at all times.
- 2. Watch your children closely. Drowning happens quickly and at any water depth. People drowning cannot call out for help.
- 3. Keep children within arm reach when in the water.

#### **Park Lakes Pool Rules**

- 1. No service animals prohibited
- 2. Changing diapers within 6 feet of the water feature is prohibited
- 3. Use of the water feature if ill with contagious disease is prohibited
- 4. Do not drink water from the water feature
- 5. Use of the water feature when ill with diarrhea is prohibited
- 6. No diving
- 7. Warning no lifeguard on duty children should not use pool without adult supervision
- 8. Shower before entering do not use alone
- 9. No person may eat, drink, and smoke in pool area

PRESENT THIS COUPON AT YOUR ESTIMATE FOR HUGE SAVINGS!

- 10. No glass in pool area
- 11. No animals or other pets in pool area
- 12. Use of this pool/splash pad is restricted to members of the Park Lakes Property Owners Association in good standing and their

non-resident guest. There is a limit of four (4) guest per family to enter the. Residents must accompany all guest at all times.

- 13. The use of this facility is at your own risk. All trespassers will be prosecuted. Parents are responsible for the safety and conduct of their children.
- 14. Children under 12 years of age are not allowed in the pool area unless accompanied by a responsible adult at least 18 years of age.
- 15. Children under 2 years of age must wear rubber pants or approved swim diapers. Disposable diapers are not allowed in the pool. All diapers changes must be done in the restroom. Age limit in the wading/baby pool is at the discretion of the lifeguard on duty.
- 16. Swimmers must wear proper swimsuits. No cut offs or oversized shirts will be allowed. All undergarments must be covered at all times.
- 17. Anyone with open sores or wounds is prohibited from using the pool.
- 18. No pets allowed in the pool/splash pad areas.
- 19. No running, horseplay, or loud/unruly conduct will be tolerated in the pool/ splash pad (Continued on Page 4)





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#### PARK LAKES RECREATION CENTER HOURS

Monday-Saturday 9:00AM-6:00PM (closed for lunch 12:30PM-1:30PM)

Fitness Center Hours (Clubhouse & Splash Pad)

7 Days a week - 4:30AM until 11:30PM

\*\*Hours are subject to change\*\*

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- 20. Flotation devices and toys in the pool are subject to approval by the life guard on duty for the benefit of the reasonable enjoyment and/ or safety considerations of all residents/guests.
- 21. No smoking allowed in the pool/ splash pad area. No food or beverages allowed in the pool.
- 22. Glass containers and/or alcoholic beverages prohibited in the pool area. Obscene Language, loud music, or unacceptable behavior will not be tolerated.
- 23. The Park Lakes Owners Association is not responsible for lost or stolen items.
- 24. Other rules may be enforced as deemed necessary by the lifeguard for the safety of other residents. Lifeguards have the right to ask a swimmer to pass a swim test prior to swimming alone. Lifeguards have the ultimate authority in the pool area at all times.
- 25. Residents are responsible for their children and guest at all times.
- 26. We have a zero tolerance policy. If you do not obey the rules, you will be ask to leave the premises.
- 27. No trespassing when facilities are closed.

Persons not following the rules are subject to suspension of privileges. Rules are subject to change at any time without notice.



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# WE NEED YOU TO VOLUNTEER!!

volunteering for any of our upcoming events or committees please contact your Onsite Community Manager, Lisa Walker at 281-441-9955 or lisa.walker@crest-management.com.

#### WHY JOIN A COMMITTEE?

Committees serve a number of important roles to our association process and the Board of Directors:

- Committees serve as a training ground for future association leaders.
- Committees serve as a conduit through which the Board receives "grass root" input - opinions and attitudes of owners.
- Committees are a vehicle through which Board actions are explained.
- Committees enhance the effectiveness of the Board of Directors by providing research analysis and advice needed for policy decisions.
- Committees can be an instrument for initial implementation of Board policies such as with the Architectural Review Committee.

Committees are an important linkage between the Board of Directors and owners but in order to be effective committees

Volunteers are always welcome and needed. If you are interested in need members! Owner input, involvement and participation is a must. Please consider participating in the association process and volunteering to serve on an association committee. Our community needs you!

> Be on the lookout for committee meetings. Meeting times and locations will be sent out via email through Constant Contact. Sign up to receive emails at www.Crest-Management.com.

#### We currently have five committees:

- Adopt A School 1.
- 2. Landscaping
- 3. **Communications**
- 4. Safety
- 5. **Community Events**





# **Misconceptions about Property Values**

Like almost every community in the country, our association is feeling the pinch in the housing market. We'd like to dispel a few common misconceptions about what contributes to the rise and fall of property values.

#### Assessments are too high

False. Actually, assessments have nothing to do with property values, and high assessments will not turn off potential buyers—if they're educated buyers. Our assessment may be higher—or lower—than a neighboring community depending on many factors. Are we providing more services? Is our property older? What utilities are included in the assessment or do we have more homes?

The more important question is what value are residents getting for their money? To answer that question, the association mails a detailed budget with line-item documentation to all owners and makes it available to potential buyers. A low assessment should be as much a red flag as one that appears too high.

#### We have too many renters

False. Lenders are required to charge higher rates for loans or deny a loan for homes in associations with renter-owner ratios that exceed a certain percentage. But that doesn't mean renters affect property values. Our association board sees renters as owners-in-training who aren't ready to purchase their homes yet. In fact, renters have all the

same rights to enjoy our community as owners—except voting or holding office. We welcome renters, encourage them to participate in association activities and hope they will eventually buy a home in our community.

#### Community living is carefree

True and false. Association living is maintenance free—leaving maintenance decisions to a board—but not entirely carefree. Residents need to care about their community and recognize that common-interest living involves service and commitment. Good maintenance increases curb appeal which helps sales and may help property values. However, without committed residents to serve on the board and in other positions, maintenance and curb appeal are quick to suffer.

# Architectural and aesthetic uniformity are necessary to protect property values

False. The board's objective is to maintain standards rather than ensure uniformity. Yes, some uniformity is good, but the board believes there is room for individual expression—as long as aesthetic standards are met.

Property values are based largely on comparative values of homes throughout our community. However, we can ensure that our

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values are at peak levels by assessing adequate fees to maintain our community now and for years to come, by ensuring all residents are involved and engaged in the community and care about the association and by maintaining high aesthetic appeal.

# **Clubhouse Recreation Center Party Room**

The Clubhouse is available for rental on a first come first serve basis. Renters will have access to the patio and the clubhouse living space as well as the kitchen and bathrooms. Pool access is not permitted with the rental of the clubhouse.

The deposit for rental is \$300.00 (refundable pending inspection of facility/ no damages)

- \$25.00 Admin Fee (non-refundable)
- \$20.00 per hour during business hours
- \$40.00 per hour after business hours and weekends

Please contact your onsite manger Lisa Walker for more information at 281-441-9955 or via email at lisa.walker@crest-management.com

- You are permitted to book an event 3 months in advance but no less than 2 weeks prior to your event.
- All deposit/rental checks will be held by the office personnel until the time of the event.
- All events would be pending approval by the board prior to event date. In order to book one of the areas for an event all HOA dues must be in good standings and all fees must be paid in advance\*\*

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