

Sterling Lakes Independence Celebration Pool Party 2017

We had a blast at our annual Independence Celebration pool party at the SplashPad. DJ Jake Plew entertained all ages with great music, fun contests, hula-hoops, games and tons of prizes! Kids and adults also had fun on the large inflatable waterslide, enjoyed frozen treats and entered to win many prizes from our local sponsors.

Special thanks to our generous sponsors that provided giveaways for the raffle:

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- Three sets of Skeeters Tickets with free parking passes

Lake Pro

(Sterling Lakes lake management service) – Two \$50 Academy gift cards

J. Kru

(Sterling Lakes landscapers) – Wind Chimes

Debra Ackley with Mary Kay

(debraackley7@gmail.com) - Mary Kay gift bag





For more photos of the event, please visit the community website at www.canyongate.com/residents/sl

HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS

Sterling Lakes Property Owners Association

Principal Management Group/Agent(713)	329-7100			
SplashPad Texas Onsite Office	778-2000			
Gate Attendant(281)	778-2015			
Top Gun(281)	798-9869			
Houston National Golf Club(281)	304-1400			
Utilities				
En-Touch (Customer Service)(281)	225-1000			
Electricity (TXU)	979-5265			
Gas (Centerpoint)(713)	659-2111			
Trash (Waste Management) (800)	800-5804			
Water (Si Environmental, LLC)	490-1600			
Electricity (street light outage) www.centerpointenergy.c	om/outage			
Texas One Call System (Call Before you Dig)				
Property Tax Authorities				
Brazoria County Tax	756-1320			
MUD #31 Operator(281)	482-0216			
Public Services				

Rosharon Post Office	
Toll Road EZ Tag	
Voters Registration	
Vehicle Registration	
Drivers License Information	
Alvin/Manvel Chamber	
Animal Control	
Vehicle Registration Drivers License Information Alvin/Manvel Chamber	

Police & Fire

Emergency	
Brazoria County Sheriff's Dept (28	1) 756-2392
Iowa Colony Vol. Fire Dept. (non emergency) (28	1) 369-3969
Emergency Medical Services (non emergency) (28	1) 489-6144
Poison Control	0) 222-1222

Education

Alvin ISD	
Meridiana Elementary (PreK-5)	(281) 245-3636
Manvel Junior High (7-8)	
Manvel High School (9-12)	

Higher Education

Alvin Community College.....(281) 756-3500

Sterling Lakes Builders

Anglia Homes	
CastleRock	
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Terrata Homes	

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Sterling Lakes Summer Pool Hours 2017 SplashPad Hours

Office Hours

Sunday & Monday: Closed Tuesday: 11am-7pm Wednesday - Saturday: 9am-5pm

Fitness Center Hours: 7 days a week - 5:00am until 11:00pm

Summer SplashPad Hours

Open during office hours and pool hours.

Onsite Assistant Manager: Chris Smallwood

Address

2807 Sterling Lakes Drive Rosharon, TX 77583 (281) 778-2000 sterlinglakes@entouch.net Please visit or contact this office to register for amenity & gate access.

Pool Hours

Please note that it will be a "Swim at Your Own Risk" pool on the dates marked below. All Sterling Lakes adult residents must visit the SplashPad office to sign a waiver before their hand geometry will be active for these hours.

Summer Pool Hours

May 31 - August 20

Monday: Closed Wednesday-Saturday: 9am-12pm - "Swim at Your Own Risk" Tuesday - Sunday: 12pm-8pm

August 23 - September 1

Wednesday-Saturday: 9am-12pm - "Swim at Your Own Risk" Saturday & Sunday: 12pm-8pm

September Hours

Labor Day Weekend Labor Day weekend, 9/2-9/4: 12pm-8pm Tuesday, 9/5: Closed for cleaning

September 6-30

Monday: Closed Wednesday-Friday: 9am-5pm - "Swim at Your Own Risk" Saturday: 9am-12pm - "Swim at Your Own Risk" Saturday & Sunday: 12pm-8pm

Reminders

You must bring a valid driver's license or I.D. when registering for pool access.

Parents - If your minor child is coming to the pool with another adult SLresident, you need to sign a parental release form.

Also, if you are bringing minor guests without their parent, that minor's parents must sign a parental release form.

Schedules subject to change; weather and other factors could cause changes to these schedules without notice. Please check with the onsite office for further information.

To Contact the Board:

Please call or e-mail your PMG representative, Emma Deatherage:

Principal Management Group of Houston 11000 Corporate Centre Drive, Suite 150 Houston, TX 77041 D: 713-329-7141 | O: 713-329-7100 | F: 713-329-7198 edeatherage@pmghouston.com

Sterling Lakes Youth Summer Events:

PIZZA ON THE PAVILION, August 5th

COACHES and ASST COACHES NEEDED For more info, visit slyac.weebly.com or contact Bev Hammond, 832-703-4674

Congratulations to the Yard of the Month winner for July!

Special thanks for our sponswor Cornelius Nursery!



2814 Silver Bend Lane (section 3) To nominate a yard, please e-mail the address and a picture, if possible, to mevrard@canyongate.com.



Sterling Lakes **BALLOONS ARE DANGEROUS!** By Cheryl Conley, TWRC Wildlife Center

Really?

I can remember in grade school how we all attached notes to balloons before letting them go in hopes that the balloon would be found by someone far, far away. It was exciting to think that maybe someone from New York or California would find it and contact me. It never happened. I've been to weddings and graduations where helium balloons were let go as part of the celebration. What I didn't know is the enormous amount of damage these balloons can do to our environment. I know now. If you think about it, helium balloons are nothing more than floating litter. Would you throw a deflated balloon with string on the ground? Most people would not. It makes for ugly trash especially on our beaches.

According to an article in February of this year on the Huffington Post website, balloons are among the top 3 most harmful pollutants threatening marine wildlife but they also harm domestic animals such as cattle, dogs and sheep.

Seabirds are most at risk. Deflated balloons are mistaken for jellyfish or squid and are eaten by the birds. Not able to digest the balloon, it will clog the bird's stomach and the bird will eventually die of starvation. Choking is also a threat.

The ribbons or strings that are attached to the balloon are a hazard to birds because they can become entangled in them when the balloon lands in a tree. They may also use the materials to build a nest causing a risk factor for the hatchlings.

In its natural state, latex is biodegradable but when processed for balloons and treated with chemicals, plasticizers and dyes, it can no longer be classified as natural. It can take a balloon from 6 months to 4 years to decompose. Think of the damage it can cause in that time. Shiny mylar balloons can take even longer.

How can you help? Explain the dangers of releasing helium balloons to your children. Don't plan balloon releases at any of your celebrations and if you know of someone who is planning this, please discourage them from doing so.

TWRC Wildlife Center is a non-profit organization located in Houston. We provide emergency care for Texas wildlife and offer educational and training programs for adults and children focused on wildlife and the environment. Your donations are greatly appreciated. www.twrcwildlifecenter.org



Have you logged in yet?

www.canyongate.com/residents/sl

Features of the Sterling Lakes Community Intranet include:

• Receive e-blasts from the Association (i.e. Association news and announcements, community events, local area happenings and more!)

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- Resident Directory
- Classifieds
- Current Events and Activities

• Documents and Forms (i.e. ARC guidelines, deed restrictions, financials, etc.)

Event Photos and MORE!

PLEASE BE OBSERVANT OF POSTED TRAFFIC SIGNS, SPEED AND GATES

Please respect the posted traffic speeds and stop signs in our community. They are here to make our community a safe and pleasant place to live. Use extra caution when driving near our park and obey laws around bus stops and school buses. Please also use the correct side of the gates for entry and exit.

VENDOR **OPPORTUNITY**

Saint Aidan's Episcopal Church ACE Committee announces our Fall Holiday Market to be held on Sunday, October 29th from 10am to 5pm. Saint Aidan's is located at 13131 Fry Road, just South of 290. Great highly visible outdoor space with Fall Festival activities including Blessing of Animals, Trunk-n-Treat, Live Music, Children's Area, Silent Action and much more. For Additional Information and Booth Reservation form contact us at 281.373.3202 or email at fallfest@aidanschurch.org. Online registration also available Fall Festival Vendor Registration.





Sterling Lakes Board Meetings 2017

TRASH IMPORTANT INFORMATIO

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 LAKES 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.

BUSINESS

CARDS FOR

Note: Heavy pick-up day - Saturday Service Provider: Waste Management – (800) 800-5804

Subject to change (times and locations) Alternates on Odd Months July 13th - SL - 4pm - 6pm

September 14th - LT - 1pm - 3pm November 9th - SL - 4pm - 6pm

Annual Meeting held 2nd week of December

STERLING LAKES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Advisory Committee holds meetings in the community and needs continual feedback from residents to make Sterling Lakes the best community possible! If you have a desire to build a positive and strong community contact a volunteering member from this Committee at Sterlinglakes.Advisoryboard@yahoo.com.

- William Crapps
- Lee McKinney
- Kathy White

Meetings will be held on the Saturday prior to the POA board meetings. They will be at the SplashPad office and start at 10:00 AM.

Sterling Lakes Event Calendar 2017

Saturday, July 29 Movie Night – poolside (8:30 PM) (Sponsored by Aquatico Pool Management) Thanks! Saturday, October 7 National Night Out (6 PM - 8 PM) Saturday, October 28 Fall Festival (2 PM – 4 PM) Saturday, November 11

Fall Garage Sale (7 AM - 12 Noon)

December 3-9 Holiday Yard Decoration Contest Saturday, December 9

Cookies with Santa (1:30 PM – 3:30 PM)

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.



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Seeking Sterling Lakes 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 2017 Section Leaders Include:

Section 1: Lee McKinney (montecman@yahoo.com) Section 2: Raul Castillo (RGCastillo@sbcglobal.net) Section 3: Martha Steele (martha.Steele@edi-international.com) Section 4: William Crapps (wcrapps86@yahoo.com) Section 5: **OPEN** Section 6: Deborah Bagwell (ddbagwell7@gmail.com) Section 7: Martha Steele (martha.steele@edi-international.com) Section 8: Sophia Clark-El (camdreacebre@gmail.com) Section 9: **OPEN** Section 10: Kajuana Brooks (section10blockcaptain@yahoo.com) Section 11: Scott Smith (carolinahounddog@gmail.com) Section 12A: Gayle Mauzey (gaylemauzey@hotmail.com)

Section 12B: OPEN

Section 19: Ed Fleming (revedfleming@gmail.com)

Sterling Lakes West-Section 1: OPEN





Interested in getting more involved in the community? Join a Sterling Lakes committee or group.

Committees

- **Social** Contact Michelle at mevrard@canyongate. com for more information
- Youth Activities Contact Beverly Hammond at slyac2014@gmail.com
- **Communications** If you are interested in being a Section Leader or Block Captain please contact Michelle at mevard@canyongate.com
- Flag Contact Lee McKinney at montecman@ yahoo.com
- Landscape Contact Gayle Mauzey at gaylemauzey@ hotmail.com or 832.385.8969
- Traffic & Safety Contact Rashawn Clark-El at rclarkel72@gmail.com
- Adopt-A-School Contact Sophia Clark-El at camdreacebre@gmail.com



The Minimalist Gardener

By Flint Sage

Trees: Mature trees and bushes will need an inch of water every one to two weeks to just stay alive. If your trees are in lawns, you will need to add a bit more water, as they are competing with the lawn for moisture. Younger trees will need even more water to keep their roots in moist soil. Do a slow soaking a few feet from the trunk to a foot or two beyond the canopy (outermost leaves). Summer is not a good month to plant trees or bushes because they need nearly daily watering.

Lawns: Arrange to keep the mower clippings on the lawn. There are few arguments for bagging clippings.

Vegetables: August is the time to plant southern peas, okra, and peppers. In general, though, it is the worst month to plant most things as it is too hot!

Fall Color: If you want fall color, this is the time to plant marigolds and petunias. If using seeds, start them in a shady part of the yard. They will need daily water.

Mulch: Mulch keeps water in, keeps the heat out, and significantly reduces the need for weeding. Keep mulch six inches or so away from the tree and bush trunks. Lay down a minimum of three thicknesses of newspapers under the mulch. Wet the papers to keep them from blowing away before mulching.

Roses: Expect roses to look quite bad by late summer. In August, cut back between ¼ and 1/3 of the bush. Fertilize each rose with ½ pound of ammonium sulfate in mid-August. Distribute the fertilizer around the drip line. If no blooms appear in the first week of September, add a second application. Water thoroughly after pruning and fertilizing.



We tried Chinese Okra this year (photo). We had some huge ones that got lost in the abundant large leaves. These plants remind me of Kudzu. They are vines that try to cover everything. We removed them before they covered the entire State. We probably won't plant them next year.

Fruit Trees: According to Texas Gardener Magazine, this is the month to stop fertilizing all fruit trees.

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ARE YOU READY TO SAVE MONEY?

The List Jen Team is proud to unveil our newest client incentive program.... The Client Advantage Benefits Program.

The Client Advantage Benefits Program is designed to help our clients save thousands of dollars when you buy, sell or refinance/finance a home. Our goal is to provide our clients with the best service by staying in communication, remove as much stress as possible to ensure a smooth transaction and to help you save the maximum amount of money possible.



Home Sellers: Receive In-Depth Comparative market analysis, Professional real estate photography, virtual tours, customized marketing with both print and online advertisements and Professional Home Staging included to help ensure we sell your home for TOP DOLLAR.

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