

Sterling Lakes

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UPCOMING EVENTS



Saturday, October 28
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, face painting, balloon animals, DJ, prizes, moonwalks, snacks and tons of fun!

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

COOKIES WITH SANTA & TOY DRIVE

Saturday, December 9
1:30 PM – 3:30 PM

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.

HOLIDAY YARD DECORATION CONTEST

December 3-9

The Holiday Yard Decoration Contest has been implemented to recognize and show appreciation to individual property owners for an outstanding job of decorating their homes during the holidays for everyone to enjoy.

No formal registration is required. Participants need to only keep their holiday lights on every night between 6:00 PM and 10:00 PM during the week of Sunday, December 3 through Saturday, December 9.

First, second and third place winners will be chosen. The three winners will receive a prize, and recognition in the newsletter and website.

If you would like to nominate a home, please contact Michelle at mevrard@canyongate.com or (713) 783-6702.

FALL GARAGE SALE

Saturday, November 11
7:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

Get ready to clean out your closets for our community-wide garage sale. You won't have to haul your items far; the garage sale will take place in YOUR OWN garage! Rain or shine, be ready to open your garage at 7:00 AM on Saturday, November 11th.

We'll be creating a map of all the garage sales in the community. To be added to the map, please e-mail your address to mevrard@canyongate.com and include a short list of the types of items you are selling (5 items or less). No additions will be accepted after Wednesday, November 8th. The maps will be handed out at the entrance.

If interested in donating garage sale items, please contact:

Helping Hands Charity, Inc:

(713) 344-5434 or helpinghandscharity@yahoo.com

Purple Heart:

(713) 685-5400 or PurpleHeartHouston@DonateStuff.com

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HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS

Sterling Lakes Property Owners Association

Principal Management Group/Agent.....	(713) 329-7100
SplashPad Texas Onsite Office	(281) 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)	(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
Meridiana Elementary (PreK-5).....	(281) 245-3636
Manvel Junior High (7-8).....	(281) 245-3700
Manvel High School (9-12).....	(281) 245-2232

Higher Education

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

Anglia Homes.....	(281) 778-7840
CastleRock	(281) 778-0822
LGI	(855) 210-2619
Terrata Homes	(866) 837-3540

The Association doesn't verify, endorse, or approve any products, information or opinions mentioned at Association sponsored functions or contained in this community newsletter.

2018 ASSESSMENT PAYMENTS

Each year, assessments are due on January 1 but did you know that you could make payments, in advance? Any payment made will be credited to your account and reduce the total amount that is owed on January 1, 2018.

If you would like to take advantage of this option, you can send a check to:

Sterling Lakes POA
C/O Principal Management Group
P.O. Box 3157
Houston, TX 77253-3157

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



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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 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.

Note: Heavy pick-up day - Saturday

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

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

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. School is now in and our children are walking to and from their bus stops. 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.

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Sterling Lakes SplashPad Texas Hours

Business Office (2nd Floor), PHONE: 281-778-2000,
EMAIL: sterlinglakes@entouch.net

Office Hours:

Tuesday – 11:00am - 7:00pm
Wednesday through Saturday – 9:00am - 5:00pm
Sunday & Monday - Closed

Fitness Center Hours:

7 days a week – 5:00am until 11:00pm
Onsite Assistant Manager: Chris Smallwood

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

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.

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!)
- Resident Directory
- Classifieds
- Current Events and Activities
- Documents and Forms
(i.e. ARC guidelines, deed restrictions, financials, etc.)
- Event Photos and MORE!



Sterling Lakes Board Meetings 2017

**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*****

SHARE YOUR AMERICA

What if you didn't have chocolate chip cookies, Dr. Pepper, corn dogs or *gasp* Tex-Mex food or Whataburger? These are just some of the things that we take for granted every day. Imagine having a whole year to experience new foods, a new culture, a whole new life! That's what hosting an exchange student is all about!

STS Foundation is currently looking for families for the 2018/2019 school year. What does it take to be a host family? STS accepts all types of families, be it single parents, young marrieds, empty nesters or same sex couples – we are looking for families that are willing to Share their America with a high school student for the year. All you need to provide is three meals a day and a room for them to sleep in. The student can share a room with a same sex sibling that is within five years of their age. Each student comes with their own spending money and health insurance. Most of all, they come with an excitement to learn all they can about our American way of life.

Hosting is a great way to learn about the student's culture as well, perhaps even learn a few new words in a new language. It's a way of opening a new world to your children as well. Most importantly, it's a way of making the world just a little bit smaller, so that we can all live in peace and harmony together.

If you are ready for this amazing experience, please give me a call, I'd love to talk with you more about it. I am one of the Houston area STS Local Coordinators, I've worked with foreign exchange students for seven years and have also hosted 13 students on my own. I can tell you anything you need to know about hosting. Please contact Vicki Odom at 832-455-7881 or via email at vicki.stsfoundation@gmail.com.

STS Foundation is a 501(c)(3) not for profit organization who mission is to facilitate educational opportunities where all participants can break down cultural barriers, and gain respect and understanding of each other's way of life.

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 (ddbaggwell7@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**

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O'Connor looking to help Neighbors by implementing Harvey Tax Reduction

Houston-based O'Connor (<http://www.poconnor.com/fb-harvey-trp-signup/>) is looking to help their neighbors with flood damage by implementing a Harvey Tax Reduction Program designed to help those home and business owners obtain property and federal tax reduction.

During this very busy time, most appraisal districts will not have the staffing to determine which houses and businesses have flooded. This means the responsibility to report damage will fall on the property owner. O'Connor is offering to coordinate the appraisal process, allowing property owners to upload documents and complete forms which the firm will forward to the appropriate appraisal district. Then, a member of the O'Connor team will follow up with the property owner shortly after Jan. 1 to discuss their status and whether additional communications with the appraisal districts are advisable.

The program will also offer owners of flooded property a free consultation regarding the casualty loss deduction they could claim. For those wondering to what extent property flooding affects their home's worth, the firm will have free copies of its study which examines the impact disclosure of house flooding has on market value.

A typical homeowner with a home worth \$200,000 to \$300,000 that flooded and did not have flood insurance is eligible for approximately \$30,000 to \$50,000 in federal income tax refunds, and they can get the money in less than a month. A homeowner living in a house worth \$200,000 to \$300,000 that flooded and did have insurance is likely eligible for a \$10,000 to \$20,000 federal income tax refund. It is the quickest way for affected property owners to get money to rebuild.



Please remember to pick up after your pets and "scoop the poop"

Sterling Lakes Event Calendar 2017

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.



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

◦ Social Groups

- **Book Club** - Contact Aundria Eli at aundria.eli@memorialhermann.org

- **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

Sterling Lakes POA
ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE MODIFICATION REQUEST

Owner's Name(s) _____
Address _____ Lot _____ Blk _____ Section _____
Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____
Email _____

SUBMISSIONS FOR ADDITIONS OR ALTERATIONS OF IMPROVEMENT MUST INCLUDE: Sketches; site plan (survey) showing house, lot lines dimensions and easements; elevations (including side views) showing dimensions and photos sufficient to describe the project in detail. **ANY EXTERIOR PAINTING REQUESTS**, a colored photo of the brick and samples of the proposed paint to be used must be included with this application. Some large construction projects may require a deposit, please contact our office for further information and any other questions at 713/329-7100.

PLEASE NOTE: ALL Applications must be submitted with a \$25 processing fee.

Applications requesting a POOL, HOT TUB/SPA require a \$1000 Deposit. Applications requesting any type of OUTBUILDING, PATIO COVER, ARBORS, GAZEBOS, ROOM ADDITIONS, ETC. require a \$250 Deposit.

Please make the SEPARATE checks or money orders for the Fee and Deposit out to Sterling Lakes POA.

BRIEFLY DESCRIBE THE ALTERATION OR IMPROVEMENT WHICH YOU PROPOSED

LOCATION OF IMPROVEMENT:

____ Front of house ____ Side of house ____ Garage ____ Other
____ Back of house ____ Roof of house ____ Patio

(Describe) _____

MATERIALS NECESSARY FOR PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT:

Paint or Stain Color(s) _____
Brick Type(s) _____
Shingle Type(s) _____
Screen Type(s) _____
Siding Type(s) _____

Please include color names and send a sample with the application.

Signature of Homeowner _____ Start Date _____ Completion Date _____
(Within 30 Days of Approval)

RETURN TO:

PRINCIPAL MANAGEMENT GROUP OF HOUSTON, INC
11000 CORPORATE CENTRE DRIVE, SUITE 150
HOUSTON, TX 77041
FAX: 713/329-7198 or EMAIL: arc@pmghouston.com

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Date Received: _____ Received By: _____

Comments: _____

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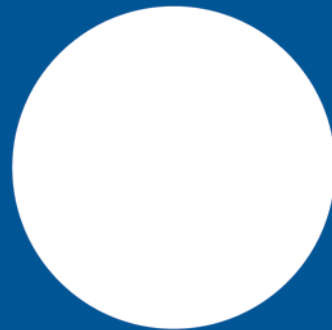
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