

SUMMERWOOD LIFE

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE SUMMERWOOD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

MANAGER'S CORNER

Architectural Modification and Exterior Maintenance Guidelines

We are excited to announce that the updated Architectural Modification and Exterior Maintenance Guidelines were approved at the April 2018 Board meeting!

As times change, we often see improvements in technology, building innovations, materials and more. Some of these changes were taken into consideration as to how your community looks at exterior modifications, as well as clarifying or expanding standards for how we maintain our homes and yards. You may think that changing the Deed Restrictions would address these types of changes; however, that would require 67% of the homeowners in the community to approve. Not only is that costly, it is also extremely difficult to achieve – especially when you consider that we struggle to get a mere 5% of the homeowners to attend the annual meeting or participate in the voting process. The Association can make and amend Guidelines and Rules without the lengthy process that is involved with amending the Deed Restrictions. With that in mind, the Architectural Review Committee and the Board of Directors have been hard at work reviewing the Architectural Modification Guidelines.

Below are some highlights of the changes and additions:

- Screened patios/porches will be permitted on the back of homes.
- The Preferred Plant List was greatly expanded to include many native plants.
- A provision was added to temporarily permit a construction dumpster during a project.
- Acceptable locations have been expanded for portable basketball goals to be on side of driveway as long as they are no more than 8 feet from the front of the garage
- The number of acceptable yard and/or porch décor and/or planters was raised to 3 total items and also included that 1 wreath per front door is permitted in addition to this limit. It is specified that holiday decorations are not included in the 3 item limit.

- The fencing section was expanded to include a list of permitted and prohibited items and construction standards.
- Guidelines for holiday decorations were added.

Additionally, a separate section was added to clarify the exterior maintenance standards and expectations for homes, structures, fences, landscaping, etc. This will help you easily find what is expected. Most residents are already adhering to these standards such as keeping your property free of mildew, repairing or replacing dilapidated fences, maintaining your landscaping including trimming trees and shrubs, removing weeds and mowing your lawn.

Registered users may view the Guidelines at www.summerwoodlife.com. Please feel free to contact C.I.A. Services, your Board of Directors or a member of the Architectural Review Committee.

PICKLEBALL IN SUMMERWOOD



We are excited to bring one of the fastest growing sports in America to Summerwood, Pickleball! Pickleball is a fun sport that can be enjoyed by people of all ages. It is a sport that combines many elements of

tennis, badminton and ping-pong and is played either by single players or teams using a paddle and a whiffle ball.

The Summerwood Pickleball group encourages anyone that is interested to come out to the tennis courts on Tuesday and/or Saturday mornings at 9:00 a.m. There is equipment available for you to use, so don't worry if you don't have your own.

Come on out and see what the excitement is all about. For more information, please contact Winn Richbourg at 832-563-7817.

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SUMMER CREEK HIGH SCHOOL YEAR IN REVIEW

- Summer Creek hosted Kingwood High School on campus from the first day of school until spring break. The first floor of the KHS building was flooded in Hurricane Harvey, and SCHS was the only building large enough to capacitate the number of students who attend KHS. Summer Creek students and teachers attended from 7:00 a.m. to 11:25 a.m., and Kingwood students and teachers attended from 12:15 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Teachers shared classroom space and students shared common areas in the building. A transition period was placed strategically between the end of Summer Creek's day and the beginning of Kingwood's to allow for smoother traffic flow around the school. This sharing of one space between two schools created a bond that tied two ends of the community together.
- During the time that Kingwood was housed on the SCHS campus, Summer Creek hosted optional Saturday tutorials for students who wanted extra learning opportunities. These tutorials were well attended as students took responsibility for their own learning.
- The third annual Pen Symposium took place. The Pen Symposium is an annual conference at which SCHS students

enrolled in AP English Language and Composition and/or English III American Literature have the opportunity to showcase the research and writing they have produced throughout the school year. The Symposium presents students with a year-long "BIG" or "Real World" question, which they are instructed to eventually answer through their own research, writing, argumentation, and finally, rhetoric. On presentation night, six scholars take the stage and argue their final proposals in "SymTalks," which are TED style ways for students to use their rhetorical skills. They are also competing for a leadership role in Social Outreach Society, a student-led social action initiative. Meanwhile, other students share their year-long portfolios by engaging in rotational "Break Out" sessions.

- The varsity football team went to playoffs, and lost in the state qualifying game against Friendswood High School at NRG Stadium.
- The girls' basketball team made it to the final round of regional playoff games, losing to Cypress Creek High School in the state qualifying game.
- The track girls' 4x100m relay team won the regional

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championship and qualified for state. They will compete on May 12.

- Baseball started off the season strong with a 13-game winning streak, and is currently in the first round of state playoff games against Deer Park.
- The softball team made it to the district playoffs.
- Cecilia Weatherford, girls' golf, qualified and competed at the regional golf tournament this spring.
- Both the Varsity and JV Color Guards competed at Area competition this past Saturday. The first year having a JV team, they came in 10th, and the Varsity placed 4th after being promoted to a higher/harder classification at their first competition this season. Varsity advanced to State at Texas A&M University. SCHS Varsity Color Guard is currently ranking 23rd in the state of Texas.
- The Summer Creek Starlettes were named a Grand Champion Team at their competition in February.
- Isabel Alvarado, a senior, is the only student in the school's history to have made it to All-State Choir three years in a row.
- Spring UIL Choir- Both Varsity Choirs earned sweepstakes (superior rating (1) in both concert & sight-reading). Both

Non-varsity Choirs earned a superior rating (1) in concert & excellent rating (2) in sight-reading.

- The band won two UIL Sweepstakes trophies at their spring competition.
- 35 students competed in an UIL Art event: VASE (Visual Arts Scholastic Event). This is a juried event where students are rated 1-4 with 4 being the highest score based on a juror's rating from an interview with the artist and their work. This year SCHS had outstanding ratings with 2 students (Erik Cholino and Ian Siders) going to state VASE; 26 students earning the top rating of a 4 and 8 students receiving a 3, the second highest rating.
- The first ever Senior Signing Night was held in the Performing Arts Center. Any graduating seniors who plan to further their education after high school were invited to sign, symbolizing their commitment to their college, university, or trade school. Over 300 seniors signed to institutions of higher education. The signs were then temporarily displayed outside in front of the school.
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Aquatic Advisors is also who residents need to call to have pool parties scheduled at the community pools. We require one lifeguard for every twenty party attendees (swimmers and non-swimmers) for during pool hour parties. There is a four guard minimum for parties outside of pool hours that are held at the Summerwood East pool. There is a three guard minimum for parties outside of pool hours that are held at the Central Pool. Pricing, registration forms, party

policies and rules can be found online at www.aquaticadvisors.net/ party. For more information you can call 713-609-9489

SUMMERWOOD CRIME WATCH COMMITTEE MEETS TUESDAY, JUNE 12

If you are a Summerwood resident and attend crime watch meetings you can consider yourself a member of the crime watch committee. There is no membership fee or enrollment process or responsibility to perform a task. The meetings are informative and brief. The committee meets at the central clubhouse at 7:00 p.m. on the 2nd Tuesday of each month and most likely you will be home by 8:00 p.m.

Are you interested in finding out what crimes are currently occurring in the area? Would you like to meet your Precinct 3 Constable contract deputies and the HPD officers that patrol Summerwood and hear their monthly reports? Could you benefit from hearing about simple and effective ways to protect your personal self and your personal property? Come and check us out!



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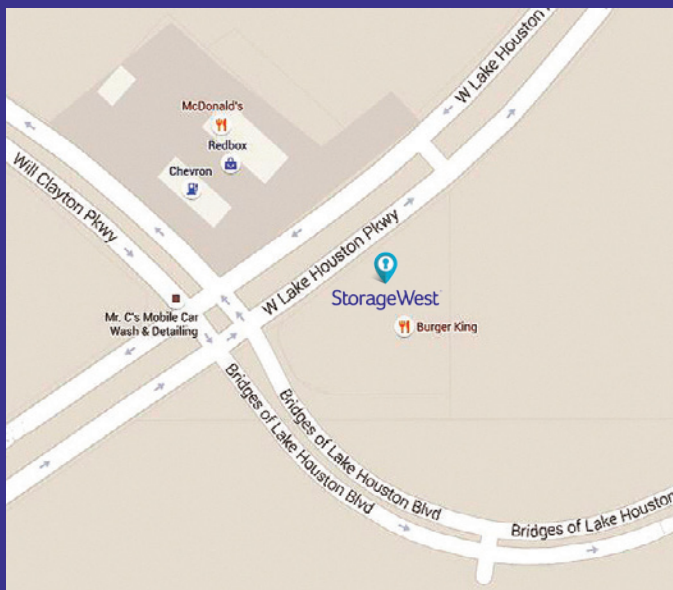
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Here are some of the anticipated speakers and topics for that day:

- Mr. Brent McDonald, SCHS Principal - Recap of the 2017-2018 school year and what to look forward to in the coming year
- Coach Kenny Harrison, new SCHS Head Football Coach and Athletic Director – what to expect from the Bulldog Athletes in 2018-2019
- Presentation from San Jacinto River Authority Board of Directors - Progress of the Long-term Recovery of Lake Houston
- Terry Vaughn, Public Affairs chair, Board of Directors LHACC - Update on Public Affairs and lobbying efforts in Washington D.C.
- Generation Park – Update on new businesses that are coming and information about the Generation Park Block Party that celebrated the completion of Redemption Square Plaza.

Optional Networking Session

Please plan to stay with us from noon to 12:30 p.m. as each attendee will have the opportunity to introduce themselves and/or their organization. As a courtesy, we ask that you limit your time to 30 seconds.

To reserve your spot, please see www.lakehouston.org/bizcom-groups, www.youtube.com/MyChamberChannel or contact the Summer Creek BizCom staff liaison, Andrew Cardenas, chamber@lakehouston.org or 281-319-8907

We hope to see you there,

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FALL FESTIVAL

October 27, 2018

FALL GARAGE SALE

November 3, 2018

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Here are a few reasons summer is the best time to sell!

1. **Bigger Sale Price :** There are more buyers in the summer time which means tighter inventory which gets you top dollar for your home.
2. **Homes look better & days are longer:** Flowers are blooming, the grass is green and everything is bright! Daylight savings time gives the buyers more time to look at your home, which gives more buyers the opportunity to see it.
3. **Bidding Wars:** Bidding wars mean more money in your pocket. They also usually mean buyers are less likely to make repair requests or other demands. Additionally, cash buyers are some of the more aggressive bidders, so you might find a buyer with a fistful of dollars with a fast lane to closing day.
4. **Buyers are more motivated:** During the summer most buyers are trying to get in and settled before school starts back so they are going to be motivated to find a house quickly and get to the closing table.

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