

# Sterling Lakes

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Independence Celebration (Poolside)

**Saturday, June 29th  
2:30pm - 4:30pm**

*Join your neighbors as we celebrate Independence Day with a pool party at the SplashPad. We will have a DJ, cool treats, games and prizes for all ages! Don't miss out!*



*If you would like to volunteer, or  
need community service hours for  
school, please contact  
[mevrard@canyongate.com](mailto:mevrard@canyongate.com).*

### Fireworks Prohibition in the Deed Restrictions



The Board asks that residents refrain from celebrating holidays with the use of fireworks and fireworks display.

This not only poses a nuisance and disturbance to your neighbors, it also leaves a messy aftermath to be cleaned up.

Thank you for helping to keep Sterling Lakes fireworks free!

### Sterling Lakes Yard of the Month Winner June 2019

Congratulations to the "Yard of the Month" winner for June!  
Special thanks to our sponsor Cornelius Nursery!



**9218 Granite Canyon Drive (section 20)**

To nominate a yard, please e-mail the address and a picture, if possible, to [mevrard@canyongate.com](mailto:mevrard@canyongate.com).

# Sterling Lakes

## HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS

### *Sterling Lakes Property Owners Association*

PMG/Agent.....	(713) 329-7100
SplashPad Texas Onsite Office .....	(281) 778-2000
Gate Attendant.....	(281) 778-2015
Priority Protection & Investigations (PPI) .....	(281) 210-6185
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
Alvin ISD Police ( Sergeant Ellen Stark) .....	(281) 245-2967
Alvin ISD Poice (Dispatch) .....	(281) 331-2320

### *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.

## TO CONTACT THE BOARD, OR FOR INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR ACCOUNT:

Please call or e-mail your PMG representative,

### **Otis Chandler:**

Principal Management Group of Houston  
11000 Corporate Centre Drive, Suite 150  
Houston, TX 77041  
D: 713-329-7114  
O: 713-329-7100  
F: 713-329-7198

ochandler@pmghouston.com

### *Sterling Lakes Board Members*

Rachel Gwin.....	Land Tejas
Linda Houston.....	Land Tejas
Tim Johnson .....	Land Tejas
Rashawn Clark-El.....	Resident
Daniel Carreon.....	Resident

### *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.

Douglas Chumley..... douglas@douglaschumley.com

*The new Advisory Board Members for fiscal year 2019 are:*  
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Douglas Chumley  
(douglas@douglaschumley.com)

Kerri Agnew-Osborne (kerri.agnewosborne@gmail.com)

McLean Barnett  
(mnbarnett1982@gmail.com)

## 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 and Monday Closed

### **Fitness Center Hours**

7 days a week 5:00am until 11:00pm

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

### **--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

## STERLING LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION:

Onsite Management Office (SplashPad Office)  
(281) 778-2000

Office Hours: Tuesday 11:00am-7:00pm  
Wednesday thru Saturday 9am - 5pm  
Closed Sunday and Monday

### PRINCIPAL MANAGEMENT GROUP/AGENT

(713) 329-7100

Otis Chandler, General Manager

(713) 329-7114 (D)

Email: [ochandler@pmghouston.com](mailto:ochandler@pmghouston.com)

or

Rachel Richmond, CMCA, AMS, Community Director

(713) 329-7103 (D)

Email: [r.richmond2@pmghouston.com](mailto:r.richmond2@pmghouston.com)

### GUARDHOUSE (PPI)

(281) 778-2015

### POLICE & FIRE

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

Emergency- 911

## Have you logged in yet?



[www.canyongate.com/residents/sl](http://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!

## Mud Daubers

### TEXAS A&M AGRI-LIFE EXTENSION



Mud daubers are a great wasp to have around. They are solitary, generally docile, and can help to reduce various bugs in the landscape. Mud dauber wasps are  $\frac{3}{4}$ - 1" in size and come in a variety of colors. They have a very thin, thread-like waist.

Mud daubers create a mud structure that they provision with insects and/or spiders; they lay an egg on each prey item within a cell in the nest, and then seal the nest off. When larvae hatch from eggs, they eat the items provisioned for them, pupate, and then emerge as adults to begin the process over.

Management is not usually needed for mud daubers as they do not guard their nest like other wasps. While they are capable of stinging, they are not considered to be aggressive. If you do not like the look of the mud nests, you can remove them with a putty knife.

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](http://www.urban-ipm.blogspot.com)

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# Sterling Lakes

## 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](mailto:mevrard@canyongate.com) or (713) 783-6702.

### Your 2019 Section Leaders Include:

Section 1: OPEN

Section 2: Gayle Basso ([gaylebasso44@gmail.com](mailto:gaylebasso44@gmail.com))

Section 3: OPEN

Section 4: OPEN

Section 5: Jason Lazo ([jclazo95@yahoo.com](mailto:jclazo95@yahoo.com))

Section 6: OPEN

Section 7: Anita Sanders ([jus1meme@gmail.com](mailto:jus1meme@gmail.com))

Section 8: David Dean ([baadean@yahoo.com](mailto:baadean@yahoo.com))

Section 9: OPEN

Section 10: Rebecca Barnett ([bex.in.tex@gmail.com](mailto:bex.in.tex@gmail.com))

Section 11: OPEN

Section 12A: Gayle Mauzey ([gaylemauzey@hotmail.com](mailto:gaylemauzey@hotmail.com))

Section 12B: Monica Horvath ([monica.sterlinglakestx@gmail.com](mailto:monica.sterlinglakestx@gmail.com))

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

Section 20: OPEN

Sterling Lakes West-Section 1: OPEN

Sterling Lakes West-Section 2: Sandra Hollier ([sandraholler23@gmail.com](mailto:sandraholler23@gmail.com))

Sterling Lakes West-Section 3: OPEN



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## Bird Bath Bliss

By Cheryl Conley, TWRC Wildlife Center

The heat is on! Just like us, birds enjoy and need a clean drink of water and a cooling bath. You can do birds a great service by providing a birdbath where they can drink, bathe and preen. Here is some helpful information regarding birdbaths.

- Birds aren't going to swim in it so it doesn't have to be deep. They only partially submerge their bodies so the optimal depth is from 1 to 3 inches.
- The bottom of your birdbath should not be slippery. If it is, you can add small rocks to the bottom.
- Birds are attracted by moving water so if you want to attract a larger number of birds, you should consider purchasing one with that feature. If you already have a birdbath, you can purchase a piece to attach to it. There are also misters available for purchase.
- Your birdbath need not be fancy. Trust me, birds don't care. The color, shape and style is of little importance
- A dirty birdbath is hazardous to birds. Stagnant water can harbor unhealthy concentrations of bacteria that cause diseases. Stagnant water can also attract mosquitoes that may carry diseases dangerous to both humans and birds. There are numerous soaps and cleansers on the market but the best solution to keeping your birdbath clean is to mix nine parts water to one part vinegar. Chemicals found in commercial cleaners can strip birds of essential oils in their feathers. Scrub your birdbath with the solution and a brush and rinse, rinse, rinse. Be sure to refill the birdbath every couple of days. There are self-cleaning, self-filling units on the market, too, although you can expect to pay considerably more for those.
- In our part of the country, it doesn't get extremely cold in the winter but you can add a heater to the birdbath if you wish. Just search for birdbath heaters on the web.

TWRC Wildlife Center is admitting hundreds of baby birds right now and some are coming to us needlessly. When baby birds are old enough, they will leave the nest before they are able to fly. They will spend several days on the ground until their flight feathers develop. These birds are called fledglings. Before picking up the fledgling, wait and observe. In most cases you'll see Mom watching over them and feeding them. If you don't see Mom after a period of time, it's okay to rescue the bird and bring it to us for care. Do not attempt to feed it or give it water! Keep in safe and warm in a box and get it to us as quickly as possible. If you have any questions, you can call us at 713.468.8972. Hours are Monday-Thursday, 10am to 7pm. Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 10am to 2pm.



## Help Make the World a Better Place

Did you know that by opening your home to a foreign exchange student you are taking on the role as a diplomat of the United States? Its true! Hosting a teenager from another country is form of public diplomacy – it gives both the host family and the student an opportunity to learn from each other, exchange cultural experiences and most of all, form life-long relationships.

All that is required of a host family is to provide three meals a day, a place for the student to sleep and a little bit of TLC thrown in. Students can share a room with a same sex sibling that is within three years of their age. The students all come with their own spending money, health insurance and an eagerness to be part of your family.

STS Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization, is looking for volunteer host families for the 2019/2020 school year. We accept all different types of families, from single parents, to newly marrieds, to empty nesters to same sex couples. The application process is simple, once you are completely vetted, you will have access to our student database where you can select the student that best fits in with your family.

If you would like to find out more about hosting one of our wonderful students, please contact Vicki Odom at (832) 455-7881 or email at [vicki.stsfoundation@yahoo.com](mailto:vicki.stsfoundation@yahoo.com). I can get you started in helping to make the world a better place to live.

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## Introducing |townSq

### Say hello to TownSq!

Associa is excited to announce the launch of TownSq- a new all-in-one mobile app designated to help you connect, collaborate and stay up-to-date on any device

Meet your neighbors, manage your account and access the resources you need for a better community living.

FREE exclusively to Associa communities, download the app and register now to:

- Easily communicate with neighbors, community managers, and board members
- Manage your account and pay online
- Get up-to-date community news and events
- Request and review status of service inquiries
- Participate in community polls
- Reserve common areas and amenities
- And more

#### Ready to join TownSq?

Your account is already set up and ready to use.

1. **Register** using your **Account ID** and **Zip Code**  
<https://app.townsq.io/associa/signup>
2. **Login**  
<https://app.townsq.io/login>
3. **Download** the app and start experiencing community your way!

*Note: If you have more than one account you will be able to link them and have only one login.*



**ONCE LOGGED IN, YOU WILL INSTANTLY BE ABLE TO CUSTOMIZE YOUR COMMUNICATION SETTINGS TO START RECEIVING NOTIFICATIONS – WHEN AND HOW YOU WANT!**

Questions? Contact your community management team for details.

Sincerely,

Your Community Management Team



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## Sterling Lakes Event Calendar 2019

Saturday, June 29 – **Independence Celebration (poolside)** – (2:30 PM – 4:30 PM)

Saturday, June TBD – **Night at the Sugar Land Skeeters** (6:05 PM)

Saturday, August 3 – **Movie Night at the Pool** (8:30 PM)

September 21 – **Movie Night at the Pavillion** (7:30 PM)

Saturday, October 5 – **National Night Out** (6 PM - 8 PM)

Saturday, October 26 – **Fall Festival** (2 PM – 4 PM)

Saturday, November 9 – **Fall Garage Sale** (7 AM - 12 Noon)

December 8-15 - **Holiday Yard Decoration Contest**

Saturday, December 14 – **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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## **Frequently Asked Questions and Contact Information:**

### **1. Street Light Pole Outages:**

- Contact CenterPoint Energy Directly at  
[centerpointenergy.com/outage](http://centerpointenergy.com/outage) or 713-207-2222
- For either option, you'll need to write down the  
6-digit number off the pole and provide the cross street location of the pole.

### **2. Concerns about homes under construction**

**(trash, dangerous conditions, mowing lawns etc.):**

Contact the builder or the Onsite office: 281-778-2000  
or [sterlinglakes@entouch.net](mailto:sterlinglakes@entouch.net)  
or the General Manager at [ochandler@pmghouston.com](mailto:ochandler@pmghouston.com)

### **3. To report a complaint about cars parked in street, lack of resident lawn care or other deed restriction violations (anonymity will be honored):**

Contact the Onsite office: 281-778-2000 or  
[sterlinglakes@entouch.net](mailto:sterlinglakes@entouch.net) or the General Manager at  
[ochandler@pmghouston.com](mailto:ochandler@pmghouston.com)

### **4. Concerns about traffic/safety issues inside community:**

Contact the Onsite office:  
281-778-2000 or [sterlinglakes@entouch.net](mailto:sterlinglakes@entouch.net)  
or General Manager at [ochandler@pmghouston.com](mailto:ochandler@pmghouston.com)

### **5. To report a stray animal:**

Contact Animal Control at 979-864-2265  
or Texas Parks and Wildlife Department at 800-792-1112.

### **6. Any other general concern/complaint not previously mentioned:**

Contact the Onsite office: 281-778-2000  
or [sterlinglakes@entouch.net](mailto:sterlinglakes@entouch.net);  
General Manager at [ochandler@pmghouston.com](mailto:ochandler@pmghouston.com)  
If Security related contact the Guard House at 281-778-2015