

# RIVER PARK WEST

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## COMMUNITY UPDATES HELLO RIVERPARK WEST!

As summer winds down and we approach Fall, let's take a minute to reflect on all the good things that happened in RiverPark West.

Our first Taco Tuesday was a hit! There's no better way to end a Tuesday than with a taco in one hand and a delicious jalapeno margarita in the other. Thank you to all the neighbors who came out to enjoy the great food and drinks while sharing laughs with each other. Special thanks to Nikki Mag, RPW's Social Chair, for planning and executing the event. Unless otherwise indicated, events are at no cost to RiverPark West residents. We hope to see more of you next time so we can raise a glass together!

We continued our tradition of summer movie nights at the pool, and our final summer pool event, Adult Swim, will be held on Saturday, August 24th. As the name suggests, this is an ADULTS ONLY event at the pool where you can swim, enjoy some amazing cocktails from our favorite bartender, snack on light bites and hear some great live music. Check Townsquare, Nextdoor or our Facebook page for the link to RSVP.

The first phase of our new fence project has been completed, and it looks great! Feedback from residents and visitors has been positive and we are anxious to get started on phase two, which should begin around the end of 2019/start of 2020. We will post across all social platforms to announce the start of phase two, and letters will go out to all affected homeowners prior to installation.

Our annual meeting was held on Monday, July 22nd at Hutchison Elementary- Thank you to all who came out and cast your vote- We look forward to implementing some of the great suggestions we received. We also appreciate the feedback as well as everyone in the community keeping RiverPark West one of the most desirable places to call home!

Amenity Access Cards are available at the clubhouse office Tuesday-Thursday from 10AM-5PM. Replacements/tenant cards are \$25 (check/money order only, lease required for tenants). New homeowners receive their first card at no charge.

Use of your community pool is exclusively for residents and their guests- No unaccompanied guests may be allowed use of your amenity card. Violation of this policy will result in termination of access for the remainder of the year and forfeiture of any payments made for access cards.

## NEED TO RESERVE THE CLUBHOUSE?

- To make a reservation, please login at: [RiverParkWest.NabrNetwork.com](http://RiverParkWest.NabrNetwork.com)
- Click on Log In.
- New to the website? Click on "Need to Register?"
- Once signed in, go to the "For Residents" Tab – Reservations – Make a Reservation.
- Review the calendar to find a date that works for you.
- To reserve a time slot, click on the time you want for your event (include set up time) and drag down the cursor to when your event will end (include clean up time). Maximum reserve time is 8 hours.

Complete the on-line reason for reservation box to hold your event date and time. You are required to read the Clubhouse Rules & Rental Contract. The rental rules and contract must be completed and submitted to the clubhouse office to receive approval along with payment of \$50.00 for the rental fee and a payment of \$275.00 security deposit which is refundable.

Make sure you have your pool access card. This card will be your key for the clubhouse.

Your HOA account must be paid current for your reservation to be approved.

RiverPark West Community events that require the usage of the clubhouse will take precedence over any individual reservations. These events are on the Reservation Calendar and the Community Events Calendar.

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### COMMUNITY WEBSITE

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Tiffany Chen - President

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Lola Wilkerson - Secretary/Treasurer



*Board Meetings are held the 4th Monday of every other month with open to the public for all homeowners at 7pm. Confirmed meeting dates are notified 72 hours in advance on the official community website and sent via email to registered emails. Please be sure to register your email to stay informed.*

**Richmond Post Office** - Have mail concerns or need to obtain a mail box key. Contact the post office directly Phone 281-633-0386 or visit in person 5560 FM 1640 RD 77469, Richmond Texas with a copy of proof of ownership documents or lease agreement Mon-Fri 9:00am - 5:00pm Sat 9:00am - 12:00pm Sun Closed

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**Trash Collection & Heavy Pick-Up** days are Tues & Fridays (Recycling on Fridays) - Residents can contact WCA directly for payment and trash container request by phone 281-368-8397 or by email [contact@wcamerica.com](mailto:contact@wcamerica.com)

**Street parking complaints** can be reported directly to Fort-bend County Sheriff Dept. 281-341-4665 press #4 for Dispatch or from the web site. Click on 'Report a Traffic Complaint' and fill in the blanks then submit at [www.fortbendcountytexas.gov](http://www.fortbendcountytexas.gov)

**CenterPoint Energy** maintains street lights throughout the community. Please use the form online to report a street light outage. If you need to report a power outage please call 713-207-2222

**To report street repairs** in the community, please submit a maintenance request form online or contact the Fort bend County Road & Bridge division at 281-342-4513

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# Yard Of The Month

Congratulations to the RiverPark West Yard of The Month winners for July! 2127 Trinity Manor Lane and 22002 Larchmont Ct.

The winners each received a \$25 gift card in appreciation of their hard work and dedication in keeping RPW beautiful.

## Blackberry-Oat Crumble Bars Recipe

### Ingredients

#### CRUST

- 6 cups regular rolled oats
- 2 1/4 cups packed light brown sugar
- 2 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 cups unsalted butter, melted, plus more for pan
- 1 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 teaspoon baking soda

#### FILLING

- 9 cups fresh blackberries
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 1/2 cup fresh lemon juice (from 3 lemons)
- 1/4 cup cornstarch

### How to Make It

**Step 1 - Prepare the Crust:** Preheat oven to 350°F. Stir together oats, brown sugar, flour, butter, salt, and baking soda. Remove 3 cups of the oat mixture, and set aside. Press remaining oat mixture in an even layer in an aluminum foil-lined and buttered 12- x 17-inch rimmed baking sheet. Bake in preheated oven until golden brown, about 20 minutes. Cool completely, about 30 minutes.

**Step 2 - Prepare the Filling:** Stir together blackberries, sugar, lemon juice, and cornstarch in a large saucepan. Cook over medium, stirring occasionally, until syrup thickens and is bubbly, about 8 minutes. Pour over prepared Crust, and crumble reserved 3 cups oat mixture evenly over Filling. Bake at 350°F until topping is golden brown, 30 to 35 minutes. Cool completely, about 2 hours. Cut into 24 pieces.



## SMART FINANCIAL CENTRE UPCOMING EVENTS!

AUGUST 8- CLINT BLACK & TRACE ADKINS  
AUGUST 14- AN EVENING WITH LYLE LOVETT  
AUGUST 15- DUNAMIS REVIVAL FIRE CONFERENCE  
AUGUST 24- THE B-52S  
AUGUST 29- RASCAL FLATTS

SEPTEMBER 4- RHETT & LINK  
SEPTEMBER 6- MARK KNOPFLER  
SEPTEMBER 13- NICKELODEON'S JOJO SIWA  
SEPTEMBER 15- LENNY KRAVITZ  
SEPTEMBER 21- BILL MAHER  
SEPTEMBER 22- ALEJANDRO SANZ  
SEPTEMBER 27- 70'S SOUL JAM  
SEPTEMBER 28- THE ALCHEMY TOUR

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# Riverpark West

## SAVORY GARLIC AND GREEN BEANS RECIPE

### Ingredients:

- Ice
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 1/2 pounds trimmed green beans
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 tablespoon fresh summer savory removed from stem
- Salt and pepper

### Instructions

- 1- Fill a large bowl with cold water and ice.
- 2- Bring a large pot of water to boil. Once boiling salt liberally and add in green beans. Cook 3 - 4 minutes or just until bright green.
- 3- Use a slotted spoon to transfer beans to ice bath to stop cooking process. Once cool, remove and pat dry.
- 4- Heat oil in a skillet over medium-high heat. Add beans, cook 3 - 5 minutes or until beans are tender but crisp. Add in garlic and summer savory. Cook just until garlic becomes fragrant, about a minute. Season to taste with salt and pepper and serve



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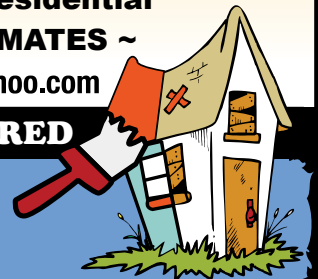
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- Make a payment or check account status
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- Find contact information for the POA management company
- Post lost & found and watch alerts to the neighborhood
- Connect with your neighbors to share recommendations

### Multiple ways to join:

- Text "**Townsquare**" to 59248 and receive a text back with a mobile app download link
- Search for the mobile app "TownSquare by Inframark" in Google Play store
- Go to [riverparkwest.nabrnetwork.com](http://riverparkwest.nabrnetwork.com)

If you haven't received a welcome email, use the new registration button and follow the instructions. If you are a new resident to the community, it may take a few days for the management company to confirm your residency. An email notification with login credentials will be sent to you once you are authorized. If you have any issues or need login support, please contact Nabr Network support ([support@nabrnetwork.com](mailto:support@nabrnetwork.com)).



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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.



## POOL SCHEDULE

**August 26- September 2**

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(Labor Day) 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM

**September 3- September 29**

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# Tawny Crazy Ants

The tawny crazy ant, also known in Texas as the Raspberry crazy ant, was originally discovered by pest management professional Tom Rasberry (hence the name) in Harris County in 2002. Since then, the ants have been distributed to other parts of the state via people, plants, materials, and other things and are currently confirmed in 40 Texas counties.

Distribution map of Texas counties with confirmed presence of tawny crazy ants (in red).

Tawny crazy ants are about 1/8" and orangish-brown in color. With a good hand lens or microscope, you can see 12 segmented antennae, 1 node, and a circle of hairs at the tip of the abdomen. These ants can be confused with other ants, so if you are unsure of what you have check with your local Extension office.

Tawny crazy ants have a cyclical population level throughout the year with populations peaking in late summer, decreasing in the fall and then beginning to build again in the spring. Tawny crazy ants are capable of biting, but do NOT sting like fire ants. They are mostly nuisance pests, but can reach extraordinary population levels (in the millions) and can become a problem if they get into electrical equipment. Tawny crazy ants do not have nests or mounds like fire ants; they tend to nest under things- rocks, landscape timbers, flowerpots, etc.

For more information on this particular ant species go to <http://urbanentomology.tamu.edu/ants/rasberry.html>

Treatment Options

• Removing harborage areas- fallen limbs, rocks, leaf litter, etc. These ants will nest under pretty much anything on the ground, so you may want to remove anything that is not necessary.

• Alter moisture conditions (crazy ants prefer moist, humid conditions)- reduce watering, repair any water leaks, and improve drainage

• Eliminate honeydew producers from area. Crazy ants tend to nest under honeydew producers such as aphids, whiteflies, hoppers, mealybugs and scale insects.

• Use pesticide sprays to treat infested areas- under rocks, along landscape edging, etc. Pesticide sprays can also be used to create a barrier around the outside of the home. Piles of dead ants may build up in treated areas. If this occurs, remove dead ants to keep the pesticide barrier maintained.

• Hire a pest management professional (PMP). PMPs have access to pesticides that are unavailable to homeowners for tawny crazy ant treatment and they also have experience dealing with pest problems regularly.

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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