

Sterling Lakes

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Spring Garage Sale

Saturday, March 7
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, March 7th.

We'll be creating a map of all the garage sales in the community. To be added to the map, please fill out the form at www.canyongate.com/residents/sl. If you have any questions, email Michelle at mevrard@canyongate.com. No additions will be accepted after

Wednesday, March 4th. The maps will be handed out at the entrance.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2019 HOLIDAY YARD DECORATION CONTEST WINNERS!



1st Place: 2727 Diamond Vista Lane (section 8)

2nd Place: 9218 Granite Canyon Drive (section 20)

3rd Place: 9902 Clear Diamond Drive (section 10)

In addition, the following homes were given an Honorable mention:

9419 Crystal Bay Lane (section 4)

9902 Jewel Lane (section 5)

2302 Copper Fields Drive (section 7)

2526 Copper Fields Drive (section 7)

9914 Shimmering Lakes Drive (section 11)

9406 Amethyst Glen (section 12)

9422 Ruby Mist Drive (section 12)

1226 Diamond Drape (West-3)

Special thanks to our holiday yard contest participants for all the time and effort taken to make our neighborhood so beautiful this holiday season! Each winner received a Visa gift card.

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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

Education

Alvin ISD (281) 388-1130
Bel Nafegar Sanchez Elementary (PreK-5).....(713) 814-7000
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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TO CONTACT THE BOARD, OR FOR INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR ACCOUNT:

Please call or e-mail your PMG representative,

Sue Edmonds

Principal Management Group of Houston
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Sterling Lakes Board Members

Rachel Gwin..... Land Tejas
Linda Houston..... Land Tejas
Tim Johnson Land Tejas
Daniel Carreon..... Resident
McLean Barnett 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.

The Advisory Board Member for fiscal year 2019 is:

Douglas Chumley (douglas@douglaschumley.com)
Ed Fleming (revedfleming@gmail.com)
James E. Lee, Jr. (theleegroup@hotmail.com)
Karen Einolf (keinolf@hotmail.com)
MarVaughn Bolin (iam.marvaughn.bolin@txdot.gov)
Sandra Hollier (sandrahollier23@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

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Cookies with Santa 2019

Thank you all for coming out to "Cookies with Santa". Residents had fun taking photos with Santa, doing crafts, sipping hot cocoa, face painting and more!

Special thanks to our community landscaper, J. Kru, for donating the beautiful poinsettias and to Harding's Handyman Services for serving lemonade and treats at their adorable lemonade stand!

Thank you also to everyone that donated toys for the Operation Stocking Stuffer toy drive. It was a success!



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STERLING LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION:

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

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Wednesday thru Saturday 9am - 5pm
Closed Sunday and Monday

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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

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!

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"Cookies with Santa"... (Continued from Page 3)




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School Athletes Register for Track Club!

Now in its 33rd year, the Northwest Flyers Track Club is accepting registrations for all middle and high school athletes for the spring and summer 2020 season. The team is sanctioned by USA Track & Field, and offers a full program of “track” events such as sprints, hurdles, middle distance, distance and relays, and “field” events such as long jump, triple jump, high jump, discus, shot put and javelin and pole vault. It is an excellent “off-season” program for young athletes who currently compete on their middle school or high school track teams.

The team was founded 33 years ago by local Olympic gold medalist Fred Newhouse to foster the development of youth track & field in the northwest Houston area. In July, 2019 the Northwest Flyers had one of its most successful competitions ever at the Junior Olympics in Sacramento, California.

In order to register, athletes must first attend one of the spring orientation sessions, which are listed on the team website at www.northwestflyers.org. For additional information about the team, email linette.roach@sbcglobal.net and “Like” the club on Facebook.

Why Not Host?

The decorations are packed away, gifts have been exchanged and life is back to normal once again. Why not bring a little excitement into your life by hosting a foreign exchange student!

Each of our students is fluent in English, comes with their own spending money and health insurance. Most importantly, they come with a dream to spend a year in the US so they can experience life as an American teenager!

Hosting is a very great way of bringing new cultures into your family, home, school and community. Speaking as the host mom to 14 different exchange students, I can say that this is one of the best decisions I’ve made in my life.

STS Foundation accepts all of host families – from single parents, newly marrieds, empty nesters and same sex couples. In order to host, you would need to meet the following qualifications:

- Host must be 25 years or older
- Pass a background check
- Provide food for 3 meals daily
- Ensure reliable transportation to and from school (bus is ok)
- A bed for your student
- A safe and loving home

STS Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization that places foreign exchange students with American host families. For more information about hosting, please contact Vicki Odom at 832-455-7881 or email at vicki.stsfoundation@yahoo.com.



As a child, I enjoyed having Ladybugs crawl on my hand. I’d try to count the black spots. Women in the Victorian era believed that if a ladybug landed on them, they would get something new. If it landed on their head, they thought they would receive a new hat. On the hand, it would be

new gloves. Today some believe that if a Ladybug lands on you, your wishes will come true.

In North America we call them Ladybugs. In Britain and other English-speaking countries, they are called Ladybirds. Ladybugs aren’t really even bugs. Bugs belong to the order Hemiptera. Ladybugs are part of Coleoptera, the Beetle order. These little beetles have an insatiable appetite. That’s a good thing for those of you who garden because they eat the insects that invade your plants like aphids, whiteflies and other destructive bugs.

Most of us are probably used to seeing the orange Ladybug with black spots but they come in a wide range of other colors as well—gray, tan, metallic blue. The number of spots can vary, too, and some have no spots at all.

Even though they are small, they still have a defense mechanism to protect themselves from predators. When the insects are disturbed, they emit an odorous, noxious yellow fluid that seeps out of their joints.

Did you know, though, that there are “bad” Ladybugs? Asian Lady Beetles were first discovered in the United States in 1988 and are known as the Ladybugs’ evil twin. They, too, devour aphids so in that regard, they are beneficial. Their hefty appetites can extend to non-pest insects as well like monarch butterfly eggs and larvae and that’s not good.

Asian Lady Beetles can bite. The bites are not poisonous or extremely painful but in some cases can cause “pink-eye.” In the fall or winter, if you notice large numbers of what you believe are ladybugs congregating around your home, they’re probably Asian Lady Beetles. When it begins to get cold, they will attempt to enter your home and can stain walls, furniture and fabrics with the stinky yellow fluid they secrete.

Asian Lady Beetles can be harmful to dogs. When a dog in Kansas started sleeping all the time, refused to eat and was foaming at the mouth, the veterinarian discovered over 30 Asian Lady Beetles had attached themselves to the roof of the mouth.

So how do you tell the difference between the good Ladybug and the evil twin, the Asian Lady Beetle? Look at the markings on their head. From above, Asian lady beetles have a white “M”-shaped spot where their head meets the body.

As part of our mission, we strive to educate you about environmental issues that may affect your lives.

The Ladybug acts as a natural pesticide in nature and they can be easily purchased online. Utilizing this unique feature of the Ladybug can discourage the use of dangerous pesticides that are harmful to all living things. Check out our website at www.twrcwildlifecenter.org for more helpful information.

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS AND CONTACT INFORMATION:

1. Street Light Pole Outages:
 - Contact CenterPoint Energy Directly at 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 or the General Manager at sedmonds@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 or the General Manager at sedmonds@pmghouston.com
4. Concerns about traffic/safety issues inside community:

Contact the Onsite office: 281-778-2000 or sterlinglakes@entouch.net or General Manager at sedmonds@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; General Manager at sedmonds@pmghouston.com

If Security related contact the Guard House at 281-778-2015

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- Participate in community polls
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- And more

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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.

Welcome

Before you can register we need to identify your account. Please enter your account number & zip code.

Account number *

Zip/Postal code *

CONTINUE

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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