

# SPRING TRAILS

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## THE POOL'S OPEN!!!

Summer is here and with it, the HEAT. Spring Trails' community pool re-opened July 1st and immediately evident were some pretty drastic changes. COVID-19 altered many aspects of our lives and the community pool is no exception. No furniture, new signs, more rules, fancy new wristbands and some new faces.

American Pool is partnering with Spring Trails for pool maintenance and lifeguard services this year. Their professionalism and expertise were instrumental in implementing the health and safety safeguards recommended for a safe and healthy pool environment.

Meet American Pool. Brie, Taylor, Lee, Michael, Ruby, Kenny and Andrew are among the lifeguards and pool monitors dedicated to Spring Trails. They came prepared and ready to work and expressed an instant fondness for Spring Trails residents.

Not surprising, Spring Trails didn't allow the new rules and processes to ruin their pool experience. The positive attitudes and acceptance by residents of the stricter rules and conditions were the primary factors in the pool's successful reopening. THANK YOU SPRING TRAILS for your patience, for your support, and for your concern for our community.



*Pictured left to right: Lee, Andrew and Michael*



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## Who ya gonna call?

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## Mark Your Calendars!

August 4th- MUD 94 Board Meeting

August 5th - Recycle Day

August 12th - 1st Day of School

August 13th - Spring Trails HOA Board Meeting

August 14th - Heavy Trash Day

August 19th - Recycle Day

September 1st - MUD 94 Board Meeting

September 2nd - Recycle Day

September 10th - Spring Trails HOA Board Meeting

September 11th - Heavy Trash Day

September 16th - Recycle Day

Visit [www.SpringTrails.com](http://www.SpringTrails.com) for details of upcoming community events.

## HOA Updates

### Board of Directors Changes

Director Ian Grain resigned from the Board of Directors effective June 19th. As a member of the Board of Directors, Ian served as Vice President, ARC Chairman, and technology subject matter expert. His contributions to the community are immeasurable and remaining directors are grateful to have served with him. Thank you doesn't seem sufficient for the dedication Ian demonstrated during his time on the Board but on behalf of the Association, the Board of Directors and property management extend a heart-felt thank you to Mr. Ian Grain... dedicated servant and dear friend and neighbor.

### Pool Wristbands

Homeowners and tenants can obtain the new community wristbands required to use the community pool by contacting property manager Khara Mathews and scheduling a date and time. Homeowners will be required to present photo ID showing your address and the community-issue amenity access card. Tenants will be required to present photo ID, a copy of the lease, and the community-issue amenity access card.

### Event Coordinators Needed

The Board of Directors is seeking resident volunteers to coordinate events planned for the fall and winter. Interested residents can contact the Board through the Spring Trails Request Manager to discuss details.

## Communications

Thank you to this month's Newsletter Contributors: Roger Olsen. Residents interested in submitting stories or articles for inclusion in the newsletter can do so online at <https://peelinc.com/index.php/submit-an-article/>. Articles are due by the 10th day of the preceding month.

### 2020

## Board of Directors Election

Spring Trails will elect two people to the Board of Directors this November. Article III of the By-Laws of Spring Trails Community Association, Inc. defines the composition and selection of Board members, and the powers and duties of the Board. Members are encouraged to consider serving the community as a member of the Board.

Formal notifications and announcements will be mailed to members in the coming weeks. If you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors and have questions regarding the process and/or expectations, please contact Inframark or the Board of Directors through Spring Trails Request Manager.

## TAX FREE WEEKEND

Conroe ISD students return to school August 12th. Are you prepared? Not to worry. Whether your child(ren) will receive in-person or remote/online instruction take advantage of the annual sales tax holiday Aug. 7 through Aug. 9. Stock up on supplies, clothes, shoes, and other school related items tax free from any Texas store, or online/catalog seller doing business in Texas.

The sales tax exemption applies only to qualifying items purchased during the sales tax holiday.

For a list of qualifying items, visit <https://comptroller.texas.gov/taxes/publications/98-490/>. Complete school supply lists for all Conroe ISD schools can be downloaded from individual campus websites.



## How Does Your Garden Grow?

*Contributed by Roger Olsen*

It's REALLY hot and you're wondering if anything beautiful can grow during the oppressive humidity and heat. From now until the end of October, your garden will feel the heat and may lose its abundant green foliage and your flowering plants will be found without flowers and dry parched soil all around. What to do? Make sure you keep your garden watered, most preferably in the mornings and ensure the soil is moist at a depth of at least 8-10 inches. The good news is not all plants succumb to the hot and dry Texas heat. There are some natives that do very well in our environment, thrive in the Texas heat and bring the pollinators to your garden.

One of the great and beautifully colorful summer loving plants is the Flame Acanthus. It is a tough perennial with beautiful bright green leaves and the most amazing red-orange flowers that look like upright trumpets (the old long ones like in Ben Hur). You can imagine that hummingbirds LOVE this flower which starts blooming in June and typically continues to bloom through the end of the year. Put this sun-lover in full sun. Even if the garden gets some partial shade during the day, it will do fine. Prune it back after the blooming so it stays in shrub form.

Now, if you, the kids or just about anybody love butterflies, Texas Lantana is a definite add to your garden / landscape. This beauty comes out of dormancy when temperatures warm up and it lasts all summer. It grows super fast when cared for and can start flowering in April. It is a member of the verbena family and is a Texas native which is drought tolerant and produces brilliant red, yellow and orange flowers. Some varieties are one color while others are mixed. And for all you low maintenance gardeners (that's me), Lantana thrives in poor, well-drained soil. A bit of a warning however: Lantana leaves will present a pungent but not unpleasant scent when touched and can sometimes cause a mild skin rash for those sensitive to its sap.

Another excellent choice is Gregg's Mistflower which is also a BEAUTIFUL Texas perennial with exquisite lavender / blue flowers that will bring the butterflies. The plant is a shrub that loves the sun and will tolerate some shade as well as the various soils we have in this part of Texas. It too can bloom in early April and will typically last through the fall. Be prepared, Gregg's Mistflower spreads easily.

So, if you thought you couldn't get beautiful color for your summer garden, these choices are perfect. I have seen these flowers from time to time at local large garden stores but I prefer the specialty nurseries to get well cared for and vigorous plants.

If you want to see more about these plants and other Texas natives, type [www.wildflower.org/plants](http://www.wildflower.org/plants) into your browser and see how easy it is to put color into your garden all year long!

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## Yard of the Month

Congratulations to Spring Trails' June 2020, Yard of the Month winners! Well done!



2003 Cias Trail-Cypress Park



23706 Turner Slate-Hawthorn Trails



28331 Ryans Ridge-Mulberry Park

Three yards will be selected each month, May through August. Winners will receive a gift card and their yards highlighted on the Spring Trails website and newsletter. Good luck and happy landscaping!

## New to Spring Trails?

Welcome! You've probably already figured out how unique Spring Trails is. Stay up-to-date on community news by registering with the Spring Trails website at [www.springtrails.com](http://www.springtrails.com). There you can review the Community's governing documents, preview and RSVP to upcoming community events, contact property management and the Board of Directors, request amenity access, sign up for text and email announcements, read about community initiatives, and much more.

**Welcome to Spring Trails, the Forest of Possibilities.**

## JUNIOR REPORTER

Junior Reporter will return this Fall. Spring Trails is seeking young reporters and photographers to contribute to the community's newsletter. Topics and areas of interest include school news (Broadway, Cox, York, Grand Oaks), nature, local events, kids and kindness, and special interests. Submit articles to [STJuniorReporter@gmail.com](mailto:STJuniorReporter@gmail.com).



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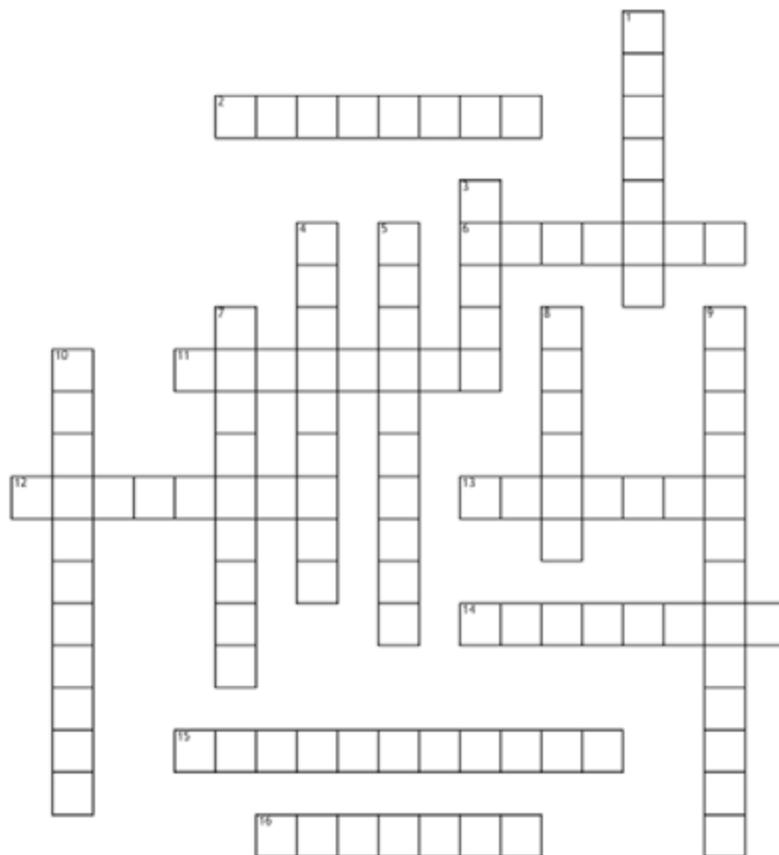
# Crossword Puzzle!

## Across

- 2. wrap or cover
- 6. large or great
- 11. Brutally
- 12. to recoil
- 13. to shake
- 14. displaying excitement or energy
- 15. loud noise
- 16. loosen

## Down

- 1. knotting sound
- 3. lightly lit
- 4. organization
- 5. mix together
- 7. Repeated light tapping sound
- 8. moving suddenly
- 9. occurs after event
- 10. To remember something



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