

SUMMERWOOD LIFE

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE SUMMERWOOD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.



Keeping Summerwood Flowerful!

In addition to turf, trees and shrubs, the master plan of Summerwood Community Association included extensive annual and/or perennial plant beds. The community enjoys 3 seasonal changes every year: •April •July •November

To ensure there is a consistent and ample supply for the beds in Summerwood, plants are chosen early in the year after careful research into forecasts for weather, pests and environmental factors. Care of these plants involves the use of irrigation, choosing the right plant for the right place, fertilizing based on need and reducing pesticide usage:

1. Many of the seasonal plants with impressive blooms that we enjoy do not grow in the existing soil. It is necessary to test the soil to learn the pH and nutrients already present. Then the landscape manager can fertilize and amend the soil to improve soil structure and fertility over time. Other considerations for healthy vibrant seasonal color include using mulch and correcting drainage problems.

2. Plants with similar water, sun, pH and fertilizer needs will be chosen and grouped together for easy maintenance. This will make it easier to meet all their cultural needs and keep them healthy. Healthy plants have fewer pest problems and endure our Texas extremes better!

3. The Landscape Manager is constantly making adjustments to the irrigation system to promote a healthy landscape. This includes the seasonal beds. Irrigation includes ensuring the water applied enters the soil and is not

running off; irrigate early in the morning to avoid disease. The Landscape Manager also periodically inspects the community irrigation system to ensure it is in good working order and using water efficiently. Since the irrigation system is aging, there are areas identified for improvement. The Board of Directors is prioritizing the repairs to coincide with the annual budget and to recoup the expense of wasted water.

4. In seasonal plant beds, mulching goes a long way in suppressing weeds. The Landscape Manager identifies weeds before using a chemical control. After the plants have been established, the crew will hand-pull weeds and prune or dead-head plants to maintain their vibrancy through the season.

FAQ's:

1) *How often are the flowers changed?* The community enjoys 3 seasonal changes every year: April, July and November.

2) *Why are the flowers changed out and why can't the same flowers be kept year-round?* The selections are intended to be a vibrant and consistent enhancement to the balance of the landscape. Flowers bloom during different seasons, or for a certain limited time, so once the plants have expired their vibrancy, it is time for a change.

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The hours of operation are: Monday thru Friday from 9:00
a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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Thanks!

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3) *Do we have any native plants?* Summerwood is a host for hundreds of acres of piney forest which includes native plants as well as some parks and common areas which sport native grasses.

4) *Are seasonal flowers expensive and why do we have to pay for them?* Yes. The master plan of Summerwood includes 26 seasonal flower beds, which were installed as the neighborhood developed. The seasonal flowers are a part of the annual budget and have been negotiated as a part of the overall Landscape Management contract. Failure to utilize the beds would cause a negative impact to the overall beautification of the community.

5) *What is done with the old flowers? Can I take some?* The flowers removed are composted. Unfortunately, the flowers are not available for residents to take home because doing so would require removing soil which is needed for the new flowers. The flowers are at the end of their blooming life and will not continue to thrive after transplant.



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Annual Meeting of the Summerwood Homeowners Association

**When: Thursday September 24,
2020 Where: Virtually**

The HOA meeting held each September is the Summerwood Community Association annual meeting. As its name suggests, this meeting is held annually, and is open to Summerwood homeowners. Every year, the association is required under its bylaws to hold an annual meeting of its membership. This meeting serves to address the “big-picture issues” of the HOA – the board will present information regarding the annual budget, new board members will be elected, and upcoming capital projects will be announced.

In September, a ballot will be sent to all residents via United States Postal Service mail. It will include a list of the candidates who are running and will include bio information from each candidate. In this mailing you will find the details of how to vote online or by mailing in your ballot. As we are working with unique circumstances this year due to the pandemic, the meeting will be held virtually, and it will be even more crucial that homeowners follow the instructions that will accompany your ballot. We ask as many homeowners as can to leverage the online voting tool. The election results will be announced at the meeting. Please be on the lookout for your ballot in the mail and please exercise your rights as a homeowner to vote for the directors of the association board.

For up to date information regarding the annual meeting as well as weekly updates regarding Summerwood, please subscribe to www.Summerwoodlife.com. Also, sign up at www.crest-management.com for notices of meetings as well as access to your online account.



Summer Creek High School Booster Club Awards Scholarships

Recently, the Summer Creek High School Choir Booster Club awarded four College Scholarships of \$750 each to graduating seniors Sheryn Antony, Marisa Espitia, Lukas Gomez, and Jocelyn McDaniel. Sheryn and Lukas will both be attending Lone Star College in the fall. Sheryn will major in Nursing and plans to finish her education at Texas Women’s University. Lukas will major in Sports Medicine and plans to finish his education at the University of Houston. Marisa and Jocelyn will both be majoring in Music and will attend The University of Texas at San Antonio.

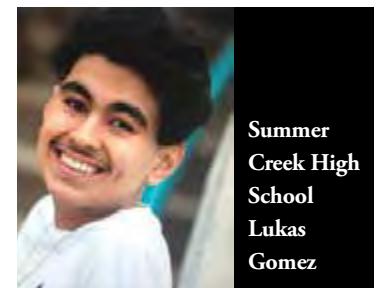
In order to qualify for the scholarship seniors must be a fully participating member of the choir, have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) or higher and demonstrate through an essay their desire to continue their involvement with music. Five different Summer Creek High School teachers blindly screen the applications.

The SCHS Choir Booster Club is committed to providing college scholarships to graduating seniors and have awarded multiple scholarships every year since 2012. If you would like to donate to the 501(c) 3 SCHS Choir Booster Club to help with these scholarships, please contact Alma Plata, SCHS Choir booster Club Treasurer, at alma.plata@live.com.

In addition, several students were awarded the Texas Music Educators Association Texas Music Scholar designation this spring. Sheryn Antony (12), Blake Carr (10), Carissa DeLeon (12), Marisa Espitia (12), Lukas Gomez (12), Jocelyn McDaniel (12), Eliyah Nelson (12), and Edward Porras (10) all received this prestigious award. The Texas Music Scholar award is given to Texas Band, Choir, and Orchestra students who have exhibited outstanding qualities in scholastic merit, musicianship and citizenship in their school and community during the school year.



Summer
Creek High
School
Sheryn
Antony



Summer
Creek High
School
Lukas
Gomez



Summer
Creek High
School
Marisa
Espitia



Summer
Creek High
School
Jocelyn
McDaniel

Why You Shouldn't Double Park on a Residential Street

Let's do some fast math:

1. If the average neighborhood street measures 24 feet wide, and the average automobile is 6.5 feet wide, how much space is left in the middle of the street if two cars park parallel to each other?

Answer: 11 feet.



2. Our Fire Engine measures 8.83 feet wide. If there is only 11 feet of clearance between the two cars parked on the street, will the apparatus be able to drive down the street?

Answer: Yes, but extremely slowly and with only about 1 ft. of clearance on either side of the engine.

In the event of a residential fire, parking on both sides of the street can slow down our response time and increase the possibility

for personal vehicle damage as well as damage to our apparatus.

Always try to stagger vehicles when parking on a residential street and park as close to the curb as possible.

Take a look at the images to see what 1 foot of clearance looks like from inside the apparatus.

Provided by Cypress Creek Fire Department / Harris County ESD 13

September Activities from Your Summerwood Lifestyle Director

SILENT PARTY: *Saturday, September 5, 2020 at Club Summerwood.*
Teens- mark your calendars for a Silent Party! Nothing is "silent" for the partygoers! DJ's will compete for your attention through wireless headphones. Food and door prizes included! Space is limited, so register early by visiting Eventbrite.com, "Summerwood Silent Party." *Subject to current COVID-19 guidelines from federal, state and local governments.

ANNUAL MEETING: *Thursday- September 24, 2020, 6 pm*
This annual HOA meeting is open only to Residents of Summerwood and is hosted by the Board of Directors. Attend for the latest updates on your community; including maintenance, finances and on-going projects.

FALL FESTIVAL: *Saturday, September 26, 2020, 3-7 pm at Club Summerwood*
Summerwood Community Association is hosting its annual Fall Festival, September 26, 2020 from 3-7 pm at Club Summerwood.

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There will be a pumpkin patch, petting zoo, bounce house, carnival games, craft projects, a DJ and more fun for the entire family. You must register for this event in order to observe CDC COVID-19 guidelines. Full schedule and time slots will be available on Summerwoodlife.com, under "Social" tab. Vendors may register for booths on Eventbrite.com, "Summerwood Fall Festival." **Residents must all register this year- Subject to current COVID-19 guidelines from federal, state and local governments.**

SENIOR VIRTUAL BINGO: Mondays, September 7th and 21st, 2020 at 10:30 am

Seniors (55+) will be playing Virtual BINGO the first and third Mondays of the month. If you would like to participate, you will need access to www.ZOOM.com and BINGO cards! You can create your own cards with www.freebingo.com or swing by Residents' Club Central to grab a stack of temporary BINGO cards during office hours. The Zoom link is provided on Summerwoodlife.com, under the CALENDAR date.

SUMMERWOOD SUMMER BLOOD DRIVE: Tuesday, September 22, 2020, 10 am- 2:30 pm, Club Summerwood

Help save a life with your Summerwood neighbors. The mission of the Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center is to partner with the community to save and sustain lives by providing a safe supply of blood, blood components and related services. Donation slots are by appointment, so please register. The registration link is provided on Summerwoodlife.com, under the CALENDAR date. **COVID Anti-body testing available with each donation!**

SUMMERWOODLIFE.COM

Visit Summerwoodlife.com and register for all things Summerwood. There you can view governing documents, lists of amenities, events calendar and much more. In addition, you will receive a weekly eblast to keep you in the loop.

SENIOR CONTACT LIST

Hey Senior Adults! We are working on some new programs for our social group and we want to be able to communicate some of those ideas. Please contact Keni at keni@crest-management.com with your contact information so you do not miss out!

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