

Spring Lake Estates Homeowner's Association

Late Spring Newsletter

May 2013

Board Meeting Recap

Thanks to those who attended the annual meeting on Feb. 23rd. The meeting began with a report on what had been accomplished this past year, including the pond opening party; the purchase of new chairs, toys and gate locks at the pond; stump removal from Weymouth park; work on algae control for the lake; reduction in vandalism at the parks and pond; and development of a SLEHA Facebook page. Items on the agenda for this year include the purchase of more lawn chairs with umbrellas for the pond, installation of pet waste stations in the parks, work to define the edge of the volleyball sand pit, fixing pavement at the parks, and the re-finishing of entry signs and possible addition of a new one near Pepper and Lansdale.

Elections were held for board members. All current members agreed to continue serving and no new members were elected. Ray Nilles stepped down as association treasurer (but will remain a board member) and Sandy Coppernoll volunteered to replace him.

Ray will help Sandy make the transition and Sandy will turn over the newsletter distribution duties to Deena Hergert. Ray gave his last treasurer report, proposing a slight dues increase to help cover costs of future lake dredging and other large expenses. He also proposed adding more money to the money market account to earn higher interest. Both proposals passed. A huge **Thank You** to Ray for his years of service to the board!

Peter Scordato and Kevin Frost, candidates for Ward #4 Alderman, spoke briefly at the meeting. Meeting attendees also heard from Tim Schmerse of Schmerse Lawn Service and Eric Reiter of E.B.R. Lawn Care, both of whom were bidding for our maintenance contract.

Lastly, meeting attendees entered their names in a raffle to win a gas card and a name was chosen at the end of the meeting. The lucky winner was Robert Harner at 3271 Montlake Drive. Congrats, Robert!

Pond Opening Party!

As always, the pond will open on Memorial Day this spring. Given the success of last year's pond opening party, we plan to do it again this year. If you are interested in helping with the planning and set-up for the party, please contact Kevin or Guy. The more people get involved, the smoother the planning will go and the more enjoyable it will be for all. Please bring your family by on Saturday, May 25th to help us celebrate!



Also, a reminder: If you would like to reserve the picnic area for a family party or gathering, please contact Paula Reiter to make a reservation. Paula's number is 815-639-0334.

SLE Annual Garage Sale

Our annual neighborhood garage sale will be held on **Friday May 31st and Saturday June 1st**. If you would like to participate this year, please fill out the form (separate sheet included with newsletter) and return it to Pam Osbourne. Contact Pam at 815-979-5491 if you have any questions. **Thanks**, Pam, for organizing this each year!

Yard Waste and Other Related Items

Now that spring is here, Rock River Disposal will once again pick up curbside yard waste. Household yard waste is unlimited. Yard waste is all grass clippings, leaves and small branches from a residential property. All trimmings from bushes and small tree branches need to be bundled in 3' -4' lengths with branches no thicker than 4" in diameter and not weighing over 25 lbs. No plastic bags of any kind will be accepted for pick up. There is a 50 lb. weight limit for all bags and cans with an X of yard waste. Yard waste pick up will continue through November.

Garbage pick up does not accept electronics. Old televisions can be dropped off at American TV Appliance & Furniture, located at 6651 E. State Street. They accept drop-offs in the back at dock #4. You

can give them a call at 815-229-1400. Behr Recycling also accepts many types of electronic items. For details, call Behr at 815-987-2755.

When we have wind on garbage pick-up day, please pick up any garbage you see blowing around the neighborhoods, and clear the roads of any garbage bins or lids that have blown off the curb. Please take a minute to help keep our neighborhoods clean.

Also include storm grate clearing in your spring clean-up list. Grates clogged with leaves or garbage leave water standing on the roads rather than running off as it should. Standing water can produce dangerous driving conditions. Alert block chairs to any damage in your area.

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Chuck Hummel

2013 Dues & Activity Passes

Dues statements were mailed out to residents the first week of March. We have received approximately 150 of the 384 payments due. Thank you to those who have already paid. If you would like to set up a payment plan, please contact Sandy Coppernoll. Some have noticed that the statements included some legal language regarding missed dues and potential actions by the association. Please note that the association was advised by our lawyer to include this language so that residents are aware that actions may be taken if dues are not paid.

Activity passes for those who have paid at least the first installment of their dues will be distributed Memorial Day weekend. A big **Thank You** to Tom McNeany for printing the passes each year at no cost to the association! Activity Pass requirements will be enforced starting May 25th.



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Thank you to all our neighborhood veterans!

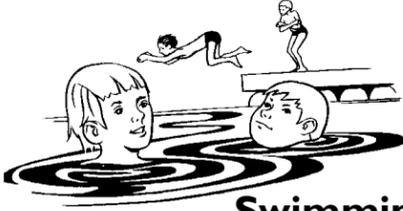


Fencing & Architectural Changes Approval

The architectural committee exists to control all additions or structures erected on existing properties, such as swimming pools, play houses, walls, fences, or any other building attached or detached to existing homes either under a temporary or permanent basis. When you are considering any of the above, please submit a letter sharing your proposals, with a drawing and detailed description before you begin your projects. Submissions should be sent to Richard Gassmann. Email Richard at thegassmanns@aol.com. Richard is currently the only person serving on the Architectural Committee. Ideally, the committee would have at least two more members. If you are interested in serving on this committee, please contact Kevin or Guy.

Recreation Facilities Access

There are designated walkways and access areas by which to reach the common facilities, parks, swimming pond and lake. Please use only these areas. All other property is private.



Swimming

The swimming pond is chemically treated to maintain the necessary sanitary conditions for swimming. All children under 12 years of age must be accompanied by an adult. Non-swimmers are not allowed beyond the life rope. Swimmers must wear clean swimming attire. Pets are NOT permitted in the pond and beach area. Guests must be accompanied by a member. Remember that there is no life guard on duty, so please swim safely and supervise your children. The pond closes at sunset.

Traffic

The speed limit in residential areas is 30 mph. For your safety and the safety of our children, please adhere to this restriction. Periodically, Rockford PD conducts radar checks in the neighborhood. Mini-bikes and go-carts are prohibited on city streets.



PLEASE OBEY STOP SIGNS!

Block Chair Information

Area 1 (Chandler/Youngfield/Thatcher): Susan & Ray Nilles, 5950 Thatcher, r.nilles@att.net, 815-633-0836

Area 2 (Clarendon +2 on Raintree): Kathleen Slade, 5802 Clarendon, 815-654-8389

Area 3 (Conover + 7 on Haddon): Larry Hoffman, 3335 Conover, larryhoff@comcast.net, 815-904-4444

Area 4 (Fawnridge): Terri & Patti Bomkamp, 3333 Fawnridger, pbomkamprd@comcast.net, 815-985-3049

Area 5 (Haddon E of Fawnridge): Bill & Joyce Zartman, 3571 Montlake, joycezartman@att.net, 815-877-3615

Area 6 (Lansdale): Deena Hergert, 3320 Lansdale, deenak987@comcast.net, 815-494-9650

Area 7 (Montlake N of Weymouth/Chadbourne): Paula Reiter, 5702 Chadbourne, preiter1228@yahoo.com, 815-540-6810

Area 8 (Montlake S of Weymouth): **OPEN**. Interested in serving? Contact Kevin.

Area 9 (Old Millstone/Suffolk): Wendy Higgins, 5855 Old Millstone, 815-282-3988

Area 10 (Springbrook-Condos): Jim Stewart, 5548 Springbrook #206, jcstwl@aol.com, 815-637-2785

Area 11 (Springbrook-Duplexes): Barb & Tim Koons, 3220 Spring Lake, fishmed@netzero.com, 815-708-6627

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Area 13 (Twin Orchard/Snowberry): Susan & Ray Nilles, 5950 Thatcher, r.nilles@att.net, 815-633-0836

Area 14 (Weymouth E of Lansdale/+2 on Raintree): Kathy Harms, 5880 Weymouth, kaharms54k@aol.com, 815-877-8320

Area 15 (Weymouth W of Lansdale): Elizabeth Russo, 5732 Weymouth, russo@comcast.net, 815-877-4657

****If you live in Area 11 or 13, please consider serving as Block Chair. The Nilles and Koons families have been pulling double duty for a long time due to lack of participation.**

*****Directory Information Still Needed!*****

If you haven't yet done so, please complete the information below and return to us by via email at SpringLakeEstates@comcast.net or via US mail at SLEHA, PO Box 5701, Rockford, IL 61125. Please include all information but put a star (*) by anything you don't want to be printed in the directory. We hope to print & distribute updated directories soon.

Home Owners Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Home #: _____ Cell # _____

Email Address: _____



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Park/Lake Use

Now that the weather is warming up, use of the parks and lake will increase. Be sure to read and obey all of the rules and regulations regarding lake use, including fishing, boating and swimming. Fishing is catch and release only. Regulations are posted on signs by the lake. Remember that activity passes are required to use the park, pond and lake facilities, so bring your pass with you in case anyone asks you to show it. Also remember that the parks should not be used after dark, so we can keep our neighborhoods quiet and safe.

The Police Dept. Community Service Officer for our neighborhood is:

Elizabeth Hughes,
elizabeth.hughes@rockfordil.gov
Rockford Police Department
Field Services Bureau
420 W. State St. Rockford, IL 61101
(815) 967-6715
www.rockfordil.gov

Welcome to our new Ward #4 Alderman, Kevin Frost. For contact information, visit the City of Rockford website - <http://www.ci.rockford.il.us/>

Congratulations to E.B.R. Lawn Care. Once again they have been awarded the contract for the association lawn and landscaping care. E.B.R. is owned and operated by Eric Reiter, who grew up here in SLE and whose family still resides here.

Advertising Space For Sale

If you're interested in advertising in the newsletter, please contact us via email at SpringLakeEstates@comcast.net. Cost is \$25 per advertisement or 6 issue for \$100. Selling ad space helps us cover the costs of printing so we can provide more frequent newsletters to our residents.