

POND PARTY

June 3rd

Noon

GARAGE SALE

June 9th and 10th

8AM – 4PM

BOARD MEETING

July 15th

3053 Suffolk Place

Noon

MOVIE IN WEYMOUTH PARK

June 9th

Title: *SING*

Sunset 8:30PM

Note from the President

This is a very exciting time of year for me. We are entering the busiest time of the year for the association, so there is a lot of work to do. The payoff is getting to interact with everyone, and meeting the new residents. If the Easter Egg Hunt offers an indication of what we can expect at the events that are coming up, then we can be sure this will be a great year. Look for announcements on Facebook and Nextdoor.

At the annual meeting, we gained a few board members. Having more people has allowed us to make a change in the distribution of the responsibility amongst members. We now have a chairperson for each of the common areas. This change will allow us to pay better attention to each of the areas and to make improvements in a more organized and efficient way.

The progress we were making with the bioswale project has slowed dramatically. There is a property outside of our neighborhood that serves to catch silt before it reaches our lake. There is an overgrowth of vegetation on the property that makes it nonfunctional. Since the property is not in the association, we are legally limited in the action we can take to restore the property. We are continuing to explore options with this property and with other aspects of the original project.

The annual Pond Party is coming up fast. Please let me know if you can help out. There are many small tasks we need help with that would not require a big commitment. Besides, it's fun to help and work together with your neighbors.

Carlos Angeles

Lake Committee Update:

Growth on the Dam: The November 2016 State of Illinois Inspection Summary:

Residents on the dam are responsible for keeping plant life including shrubs and trees removed. The state does an inspection on the dam every couple of years and tells us where we are deficient. There was a great effort to resolve the findings of the last inspection. Almost all of the residents have resolved these issues. Keeping the dam compliant with state regulations is an ongoing effort because plant growth is constant. Residents that have sinkholes on the lake side of the dam are also responsible for repair. We appreciate the effort these residents continue to make.

Algae:

McCloud is the contracted service company that the board uses to treat the lake with algaecide and dye. The first treatment of the lake was done the week of April 24th. We are already seeing algae on the lake. This is an indication that this year, much like last year, it will be a struggle to keep the lake clear of algae. A major source of the algae problem is related to lawn treatment chemicals that run off from bordering lawns. These chemicals get washed directly into the lake by storm water. We ask that those residents whose property borders the lake, not treat the area approximately 5 yards from the lake shore. We also suggest that those residents that border the lake consider using native plants along the lake shore. This helps to absorb some of the fertilizer and can also help prevent erosion of land into the lake.

Environmental Consulting Firm:

The proposal from Rebecca Olson, owner of Olson Ecological Solutions (OES), was originally presented at the annual meeting in 2016. The feedback on the proposal from the residents has been very favorable. After additional feedback and further studies the board has begun to set aside funds to start the project. It should be noted however that there will be a discussion amongst the board to discern the best approach for this very challenging and evolving project. We are continuing to gather information and form a long term plan to care for our lake.

The current state of the project is in flux because we do not have access to a property that greatly affects the amount of silt that ends up in our lake. We are working to resolve this issue. We cannot proceed with this portion of the project until we can do so legally. We are continuing to look for other ways to reduce algae and prevent the accumulation of silt in the lake.

Further comments are welcome. Please feel free to contact Terry Bomkamp Lake Chair

Wildlife \ Sightings:

We continue to see lots of critters in our neighborhood. Keep us informed if you see any beavers. They can be very destructive. We still have a resident snapping turtle that must weigh over 40 lbs. He was seen snatching ducks from the surface of the lake.

Fishing the lake:

Largemouth bass and blue channel catfish were again stocked in the lake this past fall. Remember the fish caught in the lake are catch and release with the exception of the blue gill which could be planted in your flower beds or gardens as fertilizer. Blue gill fishing remains very good with a catch on every cast from the fishing pier. The dam is private property. Fishing from the dam is not allowed without the property owner's permission. A valid Illinois fishing license is required by the Department of Natural Resources for all residents and guests of Spring Lake Estates. Your activity pass is also required if you are fishing. Last year's pass is sufficient until the new passes are dispersed at the pond party June 3rd. A 5 year stocking plan is currently being worked on. Fish habitat (cribs) is a best practice that will be included in the 5 year plan.

Geese Population:

Please do not feed the geese. They have been an issue for all of us. We don't want to do any more to encourage them to continue coming to our lake.

Spring Lake Clean up:

The annual spring clean-up and cook out was held on April 27th. We had a good turnout by the lake committee and collected over 75 lbs. of debris. Thanks to everyone who has helped throughout the year to keep our lake clean and beautiful.

Meet Your Neighbor

Introduce yourself. Tell a story. Make a statement. Here is a chance to get to know a little more about our neighbors and to promote more interaction within this community. We'd like to hear from you. Business owners, clubs, leagues... let us know if you would like to advertise your business in the newsletter.

Jennifer came to America in 1988 and became an American Citizen in 1994. Jennifer lived in California for 22 years having her own business while there. She came to Rockford Illinois in 2007 to live and settled in Spring Lake Estates. In 2017, Jennifer opened Heaven Rest Casket Company at 6450 East Riverside Blvd. Loves Park IL in the same building as the India House Restaurant. Heaven Rest Casket Company provides affordable beautiful quality caskets, factory direct. We partner with the community to pass the savings on to you. Always Free Delivery. We have a full showroom of 25 caskets to choose from. We are old school we do not sell from a picture. Come see our beautiful showroom. We offer pre planning for your Loved ones. Thank you so much for all your support.

Heaven Rest Casket Company [815-977-5229](tel:815-977-5229) Jennifer

2017 Spring Lake Estates Annual Garage Sale

Friday, June 9th

and

Saturday, June 10th

8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

To register your sale, please return the last page of this newsletter by email or mail **before, Monday, June 6th**. A packet with flags, maps and a list of items sold will be given to you by **June 5th**. Place the flag on your mailbox so your house is easier to find.

Four large signs will be placed at the following locations:

- Spring Brook Rd. (Main Entrance)
- Weymouth Dr. (Main Entrance)
- N. Mulford Rd. (Main Entrance)
- Corner of Pepper Dr. & Landsdale Dr.

An ad will be placed in the Rockford Register Star from June 3rd-June 10th.

Thank you very much for your participation in the sale. The sale has been great the last few years. Let's make this our biggest sale ever.

If you have any questions, please call Melissa Angeles at 815-742-8094.

Please support your neighborhood businesses

Pete's Skate Shop
New Life Construction
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Communication

Here are a few ways to communicate with the board as well as with other members in the neighborhood.

- Spring Lake Estates Facebook page
<https://www.facebook.com/SpringLakeEstatesRockfordIll>
- Next-door App – location based message board
<https://nextdoor.com/>

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Spring Lake Estates Homes Association

Summer 2017

REGISTRATION FORM

Return Form to: **Melissa Angeles, 815-742-8094**
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(If you would like the form emailed to you, please call/text or email me your email address.)

Name:		
Address:		
Phone:		
Email:		
(Please check all that apply)	Summary of Items for Sale:	
	Antiques	
	Art/Crafts	
	Baby Items	
	Books	
	Clothes	
	Décor & Decorations	
	Electronics	
	Exercise/Work Out Items	
	Food	
	Furniture	
	Household furnishings/goods/items	
	Jewelry	
	kitchen items, appliances, etc.	
	Knick Knacks	
	Luggage	
	Medical Equipment/Supplies	
	Music & Equipment	
	Movies	
	Office Furniture & Supplies	
	Outdoors	
	Perfumes	
	Pottery	
	Purses	
	Quilts	
	School Supplies	
	Teacher Supplies	
	Sewing Supplies	
	Shoes	
	Sports Equipment	
	Tools	
	Toys	
	Other:	