# SUGARLAND

## JUNE 2019 NEWS

#### SUGARLAND RUN HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

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#### WHAT'S HAPPENING

**ARC Update**: The ARC continues to do inspection on properties. The ARC would like to explain the violation process and have included more information in this newsletter. If you have received a violation and need more time to remedy your violation please contact the office.

**THOA Annual Meeting**: The Sugarland RunTHOA Annual Meeting has been rescheduled until June 12, 2019, at 7pm. We are in need of proxies to have quorum. If you still have your proxy please fill it out and return as soon as possible. Any questions please contact the office.

**Pool Pass Hours:** We continue to do pool passes daily between 8:30 am–4:30 pm Monday-Friday. Please see the following dates for late hours. Wednesday, June 5 from 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Monday, June 10 from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 12 from 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Monday, June 17 from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

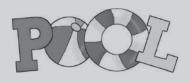
**Animal Control**: A representative from Animal Control will be in attendance at the HOA meeting on July 3rd at 6:30 pm. They will be discussing the various services that Animal Control has to offer. Please feel free to attend.

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#### NOTICE

#### **POOL HOURS**



Summer is officially here and the pool is now open. Our operating hours are daily from 11 am to 9 pm. You must have a valid pool pass to enter the pool. If you would like to invite guest please ensure that you have a valid guest pass with uses on it. If you are unsure if you have any guests passes please contact the office and we will let you know how many visits your card has. Any questions or concerns please contact the office.



#### **COMMUNITY CONTACTS**

#### Sugarland Run HOA/THOA Community Manager

Gabriela Garza, CMCA®, AMS® Sequoia Management Co., Inc. manager@srhoa.com 703-430-4500 (phone) 703-430-4501 (fax)

#### SRHOA Board of Directors

srhoa\_board@srhoa.com Meets 1st & 3rd Wed at 6:30 pm Raed Muslimani, President Karl Acorda, Vice President Arnaldo Irizarry Jorge Frapiccini Diane Bayless Jimmy O'Connor Sonia Ballinger Glenys Wright Dave Webster

#### **SRTHOA Board of Directors**

thoa board@srhoa.com Meets 2nd Wed at 7:00 pm Patrick Noto, President Marie Thomen, Secretary Marit Hughes, Vice President Ken Brennan Ellen Piacente

#### **Architectural Review** Committee (ARC)

arc@srhoa.com Meets 2nd Tues at 7:30 pm Brenda Hansen, Chairperson Misty Young Glen Bayless

#### Community Activities Committee (CAC)

cac@srhoa.com Meets 4thTues at 7:00 pm

#### Sugarland Square Association

Patriot Properties 571-291-2165 Jake Kelly, Manager

#### **Hunington Ridge I**

TWC Management 703-437-5800 Sarah Helander, Manager

#### **Hunington Ridge II**

GHA Community Management 703-752-8300

#### **Hunington Ridge III**

**GHA Community Management** 703-752-8300

#### **Emergency**

911

#### Sheriff's Office Non-Emergency

703-777-1021

#### **Loudoun County Animal Control**

703-777-0406

#### Battlefield Towing (THOA)

703-430-9007

#### American Disposal (THOA)

703-368-0500

#### **VDOT Service Request**

800-367-7623

#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

#### ARCHITECTURAL CHANGES

All Exterior Modifications need to be approved by the ARC. Applications are available on the website or at the office.

#### BOARD MEETINGS

All Board Meetings are open to all residents. 1st HOA Meeting at the Community Center. 2nd HOA Meeting at the Community Center. THOA Meeting at the Community Center.

#### **TOWNHOUSE SERVICES**

Trash removal Monday and Thursday. Snow Removal Common ground care

#### HOA MONTHLY ASSESMENTS

Single Family-\$71.15 Townhouse-\$71.15 Hunington Ridge-\$35.56 Sugarland Square-\$71.15

THOA Monthly Assessment-\$62.20

CAC Meeting at 7:00 pm

Forms, Meeting Minutes, Guidelines and More Information Available at the Community Office and www.srhoa.com

#### **DIRECTORS' CORNER**

### Hello Neighbors

I hope everyone enjoyed their Memorial Day weekend! It was a very nice and very hot weekend. A perfect beginning to the pool season!

With the pool now open, we've noticed a few things. First there is a bit more dirt in the pool than in years past. The BOD was informed that one of the vacuums was not working properly. The BOD is working with Winkler to remedy this problem.

I have also seen and heard some issues regarding behavior at the pool. Please realize the lifeguards are there to protect residents, however, they are not babysitters and should not have to constantly remind people how to act in the community pool.

I have noticed some issues and violations of the pool rules and will be working with the office, BOD, and Winkler to get these issues fixed. However, I'm confident that what I see is only a small part of the bigger picture so your eyes are welcome.

If you see any issues, please email the BOD: board\_srhoa@srhoa.com. This email is sent to every BOD member which alerts them to the situation. Comments on social media are not always monitored, nor seen by every BOD member.

Loudoun County has requested and easement in order to work on and widen Seneca Ridge Dr. The BOD approved the easement. Widening the road will hopefully reduce the amount of traffic on Seneca Ridge, especially during the school year.

As you will notice, the trash cans are being replaced by larger, nicer looking containers. Please refrain putting your household trash into these containers. The openings are not designed for household trash which jams them making it look full when they're not.

During Old Business, the BOD approved passing along Website Management to a company so future BOD members would not have to maintain it. The BOD also tabled discussions on the Security Cameras and the Trails until the next meeting. The office siding will be discussed as a 2020 Project.

The Community Activities Committee (CAC), as well as resident volunteers, and Sugarland Dolphin Swim team volunteers, put together a wonderful get together for Memorial Day. They had drinks, hot dogs, chips, and desserts! This was only possible with the help of these volunteers. Please consider participating in the CAC to keep these activities going for our residents!

Thank you,

Karl Acorda,

Vice President, Sugarland Run HOA Board of Directors.

#### **POOL PASS HOURS**

In order to obtain a pool pass, each member of your household six (6) years and older will need to come to the SRHOA office and have their picture taken. Each member MUST provide the association with one of the following forms of identification:

- A. Driver's license with current SRHOA property address
- B. Walker's permit (non-driver picture ID issued by DMV) with current SRHOA property address
- C. Recent (within three months) Utility Bill with residents name listed
- D. VA voter registration with property address
- E. Recent (within three months) Bank Statement with property address
- F. Children between the ages of 6 and 18 must provide a current report card of the schools in the community (unless providing driver's license) and must be accompanied by a parent with either A,B, C, D, or E (above).
- G. Tenants must provide a copy of their CURRENT lease and the owner MUST sign the pool application granting authorization for their tenants to use the pool. Tenants are also required to provide proof of residency with either A, B, C, D, or E (above).. (Landlord must release their rights to use the pool annually to their tenants.)

Residents may obtain their passes during the following hours **ONLY**:

#### **WEEKDAY HOURS BEGINNING May 1, 2019:**

8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

#### **EVENING AND WEEKENDS:**

In May and June the office will be open the following additional hours for passes:

Wednesday, June 5 from 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Monday, June 10 from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 12 from 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Monday, June 17 from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

TENANTS MUST CONTACT THEIR LANDLORDS REGARDING POOL PASS ACTIVATION. HOMEOWNER'S ACCOUNT(S) MUST BE PAID UP-TO-DATE IN ORDER TO USE THE POOL.

REPLACEMENT CARD FEE: \$20.00

All tenants, regardless if 2018 pool passes were received, must contact their landlords regarding activation of 2019 pool passes.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	HOA Meeting 6:30 pm Pool Pass 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	6	7	8
9	Pool Pass 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	ARC Meeting 7:30 pm	THOA Meeting 7:00 pm Pool Pass 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm	13	14	15
16	Pool Pass 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	18	HOA Meeting 6:30 pm	20	21	22
23 30	24	25 CAC Meeting 7:00 pm	Pool Closes at 4:00 pm	27	28	29

## **J**ULY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 HOA Meeting 6:30 pm	4	5	6
Pool Opens at 1:00 pm	8	9	10 THOA Meeting 7:00 pm Pool Closes at 4:00 pm	11	12	13
14	15	ARC Meeting 7:30 pm	HOA Meeting 6:30 pm Pool Closes at 4:00 pm	18	19	20
21	22	CAC Meeting 7:00 pm	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			



#### **APPLICATION FOR ARCHITECTURAL MODIFICATION**

HOA Account #	THOA Account #
For complete information on the Architectur Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Ro documentation as required by the ARC Guid	al Review Committee and procedures, please refer to the ARC Guidelines and the estrictions. Please be sure to fill out this form in its entirety, to include any supporting elines.
NAME:	DATE:
SINGLE FAMILY:	TOWNHOUSE:
ADDRESS:	
PHONE NUMBER: (H)	(W)
EMAIL:	
CURRENT SIDING COLOR:	CURRENT ROOF COLOR:
CURRENT TRIM COLOR:	CURRENT WINDOW COLOR/MATERIAL:
Contractor's Name:	License #:
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Contractor's Name:  ESTIMATED START DATE:  ESTIMATED END DATE:  I agree to comply with the Declaration of Comaking the above improvement(s). Permissi	License #:
Contractor's Name:  ESTIMATED START DATE:  ESTIMATED END DATE:  I agree to comply with the Declaration of Comaking the above improvement(s). Permissionto my property to make reasonable inspect	License #:  ovenants, Conditions and Restrictions, ARC Guidelines and County building codes in ion is hereby granted for the members of the ARC and appropriate SRHOA staff to enter

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#### **COMMUNITY BUILDING RENTALS**

#### AVAILABILITY DEPOSIT RENTAL COST

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 midnight ..........\$500.00 ......\$25.00 per hour (Office Building)

\$40.00 per hour (Community Center Without Kitchen) \$50.00 per hour (Community Center With Kitchen)

ALL RENTALS REQUIRE A 4-HOUR MINIMUM



# 2019 Summer swim season has begun!

Coach Maggie Pruden returns for her  $13^{\rm th}$  season as head coach with Emily Saldanha and Jonathan Harman as assistant coaches.

Evening practices have begun and will switch to mornings on June 11th.

#### Home Meet Schedule

- Saturday 6/15 at 8am
- Wednesday 6/26 at 6pm (\*early pool closing)
- Saturday 6/29 at 8am
- Wednesday 7/10 at 6pm (\*early pool closing)
- Wednesday 7/17 at 6pm (\*early pool closing)

## Come cheer on the team at our home meets!

Admission is free. Food (hot dogs, pizza, burgers, etc) and drinks will be available for sale.

Please see our team website for more information

Thank you for your support!





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#### An Environmental Balancing Act by Diane Bayless

Anyone who gardens or tends their lawn is challenged to balance the desire for what is perceived as "perfect" with what is environmentally sound. Do we limit the use of herbicides, pesticides and fertilizers and accept a slightly less perfect yard? Do we continue to embrace "mulch volcanoes" that seem to be in vogue these days? These piles of mulch hugging our trees shorten their life span by depriving the roots of oxygen and creating the perfect environment for bark and trunk decay. Three inches of mulch 3" from the trunk is better for the trees, even if it does not look as tidy.

The HOA has a similar challenge regarding our pond. Willow Lake serves as a focal point for our community, is home to aquatic wildlife and is a favored fishing spot, but it was created as a stormwater management pond. Our challenge is to maintain the aesthetic value of the pond and its use by residents while ensuring it serves it purpose to filter pollutants from stormwater runoff before they enter Sugarland Run and the Potomac River. The HOA has been working with the county to address issues associated with the pond and worked with the Virginia Cooperative Extension and Loudoun County Master Gardeners' Water Stewards to assess the pond's health. Of primary concern is the excessive algae and plant growth on the surface and undesirable non-native vegetation around the edge of the pond. Both of these are an indication of an unbalanced ecosystem where too many nutrients are entering the water. In addition to being unsightly, this can lead to die-off of desirable plants and animals in the water as sunlight and oxygen are reduced.

The pond report had several recommendations, including limiting the use of fertilizer near the pond and maintaining a "no-mow" buffer to trap pollutants and nutrients before they can enter the waterway. Some residents have objected to this approach considering it unsightly or inhibiting the use of the pond. We will continue to work with the county and our contractors to find a balance. Under consideration is reducing the buffer to allow narrow mowed strips alongside the path and mowed paths to the pond. Homeowners who remember that everything we put **on** our lawn and garden ends up **in** our waterways can also help us by balancing aesthetics with sound environmental practices in their yards.