



A Newsletter dedicated to educating and informing the Spring Lake Neighborhood

The Spring Lake Connection

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FROM THE EDITOR

The summer had come to an end, the kids have returned to school and, for most, life is returning to routine. This also means that monthly homeowners' association meetings will be resuming after the summer hiatus. Meetings are always held on the third Wednesday of month; therefore, the next meeting will be on Wednesday, September 21st.

All homeowners are invited to attend to keep up with what is going on in the neighborhood and contribute to the process. Time is always put into the agenda for residents to provide their input and feedback.

And while we are on the subject of feedback, we are also interested in hearing from you regarding the newsletter. Content suggestions are welcome as this is a forum meant to inform you, the member. So feel free to send your suggestions and comments to Greg Anderson, our property manager with Ameritech at GAnderson@AmeritechMail.com or call 727-726-8000.

FENCE CONSTRUCTION

The fencing contractor has finished construction of the exterior and recreational area fences. The exterior fence is of vinyl construction and has the appearance of a stone wall. The recreational area fence was replaced with another shadow box style fence. A final inspection of the work by Ameritech and the board needs to be done before final payment is made and this inspection should take place within the next week. So if you are aware of any issues with the construction of either fence, please let us know right away.

SEA WALL CONSTRUCTION

The sea wall construction restarted this week after several unforeseen delays. You might recall that the subdivision water was off one morning recently. This was caused by a break of the water main coming into the subdivision. Well, the water main comes across the land bridge on the south side of the lake where the sea wall is being constructed. So when the main broke, it washed out a section of the land bridge and caused the north lake to fill back up with water.

The construction company repaired the land bridge but then had to wait on the construction happening at the corner of Virginia Ave. and Hercules. The construction at that intersection involved the drain pipes needed to pump out the lake. The project engineer estimates that construction of the sea wall should be complete about mid-October.

RESERVING THE CLUBHOUSE

Need a venue for your small gathering? Remember that the clubhouse is available to residents free of charge. The facility can be reserved on a first-come-first-served basis. A \$50 deposit is required which is returned after the key has been returned and the facility has been verified to have been left in good condition. Contact Ameritech to reserve the building for your event.

HOUSEKEEPING

From time to time, residents show up at a board meeting, having received a violation warning notice, saying that they had no idea of a particular rule. This section of the newsletter is included to educate and

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remind residents of subdivision guidelines. Each month, some aspect of the regulations will be covered.

This month, the subject is architectural guidelines. The subdivision's architectural guidelines are in place to promote and maintain a consistent and harmonious exterior design throughout the subdivision. The complete guidelines are too extensive to be included here but are posted on the association's website.

Residents are required to get approval of most exterior changes to their property. These include exterior painting, significant landscaping changes and placement of lawn ornaments and other lawn embellishments. Before you make any significant changes to the exterior of your property, it is advised that you review the guidelines and submit a plan to the Architectural Review Committee. The form that needs to be submitted can be downloaded from the association website. It is also available from a dispenser near the front door of the clubhouse.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

If you have a skill that can help contribute to the operation and betterment of the neighborhood or would simply like to help make Spring Lake a better place to live, please do not hesitate to contact the board and let them know of your willingness to pitch in. There are many basic association functions where assistance is needed and many activities that could be added which would enrich the community if the manpower were available.

In particular, writers are needed to assist with the monthly newsletter. Also, a welcoming committee is being formed and is in need of volunteers.

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