

Heron River Homeowners' Association Newsletter

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The Association President's Message

As the spring ends and summer begins, our landscape changes...literally! Aloha Gardening is in full force cutting, trimming, and spraying. It's a huge task with all the beautiful common areas we have in Heron River. We always ask for your assistance in keeping our landscaped areas well maintained by reporting broken sprinklers, places with irrigation failure or anything else you see that needs attention.

Heron River has a new neighbor to our west; it is Syringa Landscape. They have completed an amazing transformation of their adjoining property and the Board approved the final ten feet of our common area property to be landscaped by them, so that both properties are now completely finished including the sidewalk from Heron River that now continues across the Syringa property.

Heron River now has at least five committees filled with volunteers that are helping maintain your pool, facility repairs, irrigation landscape, Neighborhood Watch, security, and the Community Center. The participation by your committees and their volunteers is saving thousands of dollars annually and we have the

great opportunity to get to know dozens of new members in our Association.

The transformation of Heron River in the last year and a half is humbling and amazing. Homeowners in Heron River have created a community that continually grows and becomes better...we as a Board are extremely blessed to have such an incredible Association...neighbors becoming friends, friends becoming a community! Thank you!

-Ron Thompson, President, HR HOA

Community Center changes & improvements

The reservation process for private events has changed for homeowners. One Board improvement under consideration is to open the Community Center building from time to time for general use by its members.

Reservation process changes

The new process asks members to check the Community Center calendar link on the Development Services Inc. website for available times/dates. Fill out and send the HRCC Private Event usage form by email to the events coordinator at HRCommCenter@gmail.com. Once your reservation is approved, a CC volunteer will contact you for a Pre-Walk Thru 24 hours before your event. DSI is no longer involved with reserving the Community Center.

General use by members

The original intent of the Community Center was to be a gathering place for members to meet one another, socialize, play games, and participate in association activities and meetings.

Due to some property damage several years ago, the key card system was changed from member access during normal operating hours to access by reservation for scheduled association groups or member's private events.

The Board is proposing a trial weekend sometime this fall when committee volunteers would be present in the building during general member access hours. If the trial is conducted, and if members have a favorable experience, the Board may continue the general member access program in the future.

Your pool experience is a bit nicer

Thanks to Vern Day, our newly designated Facilities Maintenance volunteer along with the Pool Committee, our members are having a more pleasant pool experience this summer.

Thanks to Vern and Tom Haigh, the pool ledge stones have been repaired on the waterfall feature. Next year one pump needs to be rebuilt so all three basins will flow water over the ledges, but two basins are working now.

Vern learned our auto-fill system from our pool service vendor, so the Pool Committee no longer has to fill the pool using hoses each day.

<u>Pool Committee opens and closes</u> <u>the pool for you each day.</u>

A Pool Committee volunteer opens the pool at 8 AM each day, checks the filter baskets, water levels, and unlocks the outside bathrooms.

A Pool Committee volunteer closes the pool at 10 PM each night, making sure members have left the pool enclosure, bathrooms are locked, chairs have been returned to the tables, security lights are on, the pool gates are properly closed and latched, and any personal items left behind are placed in the Lost & Found bin.

Sports Court Fund Raiser

Please make a donation for the pickleball court and basketball conversion of one tennis court. See the enclosed flyer for all the details. You may also contact Rebecca Milwicz or Jason Kimball directly. *Your monetary contribution will help get the ball rolling!*

Winner of the 2017 St. Jude Dream House

The lucky winner of the 2017 St. Jude Dream Home in The Preserve was Jane Jetley from Mountain Home. Jane is as a realtor there.

Jane's winning ticket was announced just before 10 PM on June 18, during KTVB-TV's live broadcast from the Dream Home located at 9634 W. Twisted Vine Drive.

Mr. Joe Atalla, President of Heron Lakes Development, Inc. and Berkeley Building Co. spun the drum with the 9,077 tickets inside. It was a successful program that helps support the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

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