

The Villages of



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NEWS FROM THE SCA PRESIDENT.....



Thankfully Mother Nature has eased her seemingly endless stretch of 90+ degree days. Hopefully everyone has been able to stay safe during this exceptionally hot summer.

It seems like yesterday that school was letting out for the summer and the swimming pool was opening for the season. Then "Bam!" the next thing we know the new school year is ready to get started. I hope the transition for all the students and parents goes well as everyone readjusts.

One of the things that is reviewed with children is how to stay safe relative to school. For those of us who are driving vehicles within the community there are two simple things that we can do to help make the streets a little safer for everyone. The first is to drive within the posted speed limit, and the second is to not be distracted by a cellphone or PDA.

Take care and have a safe school year! | Walt Zalewski, SCA president

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Process to Establish Homeowner Dues for 2012

The budget planning process begins in the fall of each year with a review of the year's actual operating expenses and revenue as well as projections for the coming year. This comprehensive review also considers required contributions to the association's reserve funds for maintenance and projected capital improvements.

The three major expense categories are pool and clubhouse, landscape and grounds keeping, and non-landscape and common area expenses. The two major committees and the finance committee work

together to develop and submit the common area budget and the budget for the pool and clubhouse to the board of directors for review, discussion, and revision two months prior to the adoption meeting. Recommended adjustments are made, and final drafts are submitted to the board for adoption at the December meeting.

Once the board has approved the budget, calculations are made to determine the amount of your annual dues. You will see an announcement in the monthly newsletter, and the annual billings will be mailed in January.

Labor Day

In 1882, the first Labor Day was celebrated with a parade in New York City sponsored by the Central Labor Union. Twelve years later in 1884, President Grover Cleveland made this a holiday for federal employees. On June 28, 1894, Congress passed an act that the first Monday in September would be celebrated nationwide to honor workers and the prosperity they contribute to the strength and well-being of our country. Have a wonderful celebration!

Need a Notary?

Call the clubhouse office and talk to Pat to set up an appointment. She is a notary and is happy to offer this service to the Springhurst community.



Second Annual Yard Sale September 24th

Mark Your Calendar!

The date for the second annual Springhurst Community-Wide Yard Sale is Saturday, September 24th. On Thursday, Sept. 29th, the large Industrial Disposal Junk Pickup will take place.



Fall Cleaning....The children are back in school, and you can finally attack those fall cleaning jobs you have been putting off. Don't forget that some really important areas need your attention. First, check your medicine cabinet for expired drugs and left over prescriptions. Also, review over-the-counter drugs that have expired.

Secondly, remember smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Be sure to test/replace the batteries in these items. Experts also suggest that toys should periodically be looked at for loose parts, broken pieces, sharp edges, leaking batteries, loose screws and exposed wires.



The Association pays for an advertisement in the Courier Journal and places signs at the entrances of the Villages to advertise this sale. No other signs should be posted anywhere within Springhurst advertising this sale with the exception of a sign on your mailbox to indicate you are participating. **Please DO NOT tape any signs to the light posts or street signs.**

Child Safety is Top Priority!

At the end of the school year last May, your community association office received phone calls reporting that some homeowners were not stopping for school buses loading on the community streets early in the morning. Law enforcement was notified, and the folks who chose to break this law were ticketed. This is to notify all residents that the **safety of the children in Springhurst is "top" priority.** Speeding on the community streets and failing to stop for school buses loading or unloading will not be tolerated.

Back-to-School Safety Tips for the Bus Ride to and from School...

Plan a walking route to the bus stop. (Choose the most direct way with the fewest street crossings.)

Walk the route with your child beforehand.

Teach your child never to talk to strangers or accept rides or gifts from strangers.

Be sure your child walks to and from school with a sibling, friend, or neighbor.

Teach your kids — whether walking, biking, or riding the bus to school — to obey all traffic signals.

Teach children to arrive at the bus stop early, stay out of the street, wait for the bus to come to a complete stop before approaching the bus, watch for cars and avoid the driver's blind spot.

Tell your child not to bend down in front of the bus to tie shoes or pick up objects, as the driver may not see him before starting to move.

Be sure that your child knows his or her home phone number and address, your work number, the number of another trusted adult and how to call 911 for emergencies.

The JCPS Back-to-School Page is www.jefferson.kyschools.us/Parent/Back_to_School/index.html.



The Springhurst Book Club will be meeting to discuss "*In the Time of Butterflies*" by Julia Alvarez on August 22nd at the Springhurst Panera at 7 pm.



All Springhurst residents are welcome. Other upcoming books on the list are: "*Hotel*

on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet" by Jamie Ford, and "*Ten Thousand White Women-The Journals of May Dodd*" by Jim Furgis. If you are interested, please call the office for the dates of these discussions and for information on joining the group (425-4672).

Trash Concerns: Expect a one-day delay in trash removal the week of September 5th in observance of Labor Day. If you have any questions regarding trash removal, yard waste or recycling, please direct your calls to Industrial Disposal at: 638-9000. Be considerate of your neighbors by not placing your trash containers at the street until late the evening before your pick-up and by removing them promptly after the trash has been emptied.

Disaster Preparedness

In the June newsletter, you read the first of four articles with information from FEMA on how homeowners can be more prepared for a disaster. The first article was about making a kit of supplies that would be helpful in a crisis. July's article explained how each family needs to have a plan in place where even young children would know what to do. This month the focus is on "Being Informed." In the event of an emergency you will need to know how to get important information from local government agencies and emergency responder teams. The first place to go (before a disaster occurs) in the Louisville area is: http://www.louisvilleky.gov/metrosafe/preparing_for_disaster/preparing_for_disaster_notification.htm This website has a plethora of information regarding disasters, and also has a link where you can sign up for e-mail or text messages in the event of an emergency. Aside from signing up for this service you will also see that the official notifications for severe weather will come from the Courier Journal, FOX-41, WAVE-3, WHAS-11 and WLKY-32. This website has information to help you understand the difference between a tornado watch and warning, it explains the steps to follow under a boil water advisory, and explains the proper procedures if there is a need for evacuation. This information is very important for everyone to understand, and having the knowledge in advance will save time and maybe even your life. Stay tuned next month for the final "preparedness" article about "Getting Involved."

Learn How and When to Turn Off Utilities

If there is damage to your home, or if you are instructed to turn off your utilities by a government agency for safety purposes, you should know the following: Locate the gas, electric and water shut-off valves in and near your home. Keep the necessary tools near the shut-off valves. Teach family members how to shut off the valves. And, keep in mind that if you turn off your gas, a professional **MUST** turn it back on. **Do not attempt to do this yourself!**

Exterior Modification Forms Required

Did you know that Exterior Modification Forms are required before replacing street and front yard trees? The "Approved Tree List" and the forms you will need are available on the FAQ page at www.springhurstonline.com. Or contact the property manager at 425-4672. Please note that the trees on the approved list cannot be substituted with a sub-species tree.

Your Home and Landscape Appearance

Fall is fast approaching and winter weather will be here before we know it. Now is the time to complete that "to-do" list that you created last spring. Does your home's exterior need to be painted? Do you have shutters that are missing? What about the dead plant material? With the temperatures beginning to come down you can now plant the shrubs and trees to beautify your home. Keep in mind that when you do attempt these projects, you will need to submit an exterior modification to the association's office for approval.



Lake Safety

The White Blossom Lake is a lovely addition to our community, but accidents can and do happen in and near the water. Please make safety a top priority when allowing young children to play in the lake area.

Friendly Reminders

- * Your pet needs to be on a leash or within an invisible fence at all times.
- * Please "scoop" after your pet when you are walking in the neighborhoods.
- * Contact Animal Control at 363-6609 with nuisance complaints.
- * Storm drains need to be kept clean of debris to prevent flooding.
- * Contact the Association Office if a street light is not working properly. Please give the address where the light is located and the nature of the problem.

POOL COMMITTEE NEWS

Baby Pool Shade

A shade system was recently installed over the baby pool. The new canopy is similar to the ones that were installed two years ago on the pool deck. They have a shade factor of 95% and a UVR Block of 97%.



You still need to apply plenty of sun screen to avoid getting burned, but it is hoped that the new shade will keep young residents cooler and safer from the sun's dangerous rays.

Pool Operating Hours

Sunday-Thursday: 11 am—8 pm

Friday: 11 am—9 pm

Saturday: 10 am—9 pm

On weekdays beginning August 15 through September 5, the pool will open daily at 4 pm

The pool is closed from September 6 thru 9 (reopening September 10 & 11 from noon until 6 pm)

September 11—the last day of the 2011 pool season!

Unauthorized After Hours Pool Use

Please call LMPD, 574-7111, Option 5, (non-emergency police dispatch) if you notice persons using the pool during hours that the pool is closed. Please do NOT call 911.

Have You Noticed a Face Lift at the Clubhouse?

New doors and windows were installed in the rear of the clubhouse earlier this month. In an effort to protect community assets, the pool committee decided to replace these items due to wood rot that was discovered at these openings. Your patience and consideration during the construction project is greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Body on the Bottom Training

The Springhurst Community contracts with Kentuckiana Pool Management (KPM) to have the pool staffed and managed with life guards for the summer. KPM not only staffs the pool, but its employees also maintain the water quality and enforce the rules set forth by the association. Another thing that falls under the KPM realm of duty is to make sure the life guard staff is well trained in safety and life-saving issues.

At the end of June, KPM manager, J.C. Barnett conducted a training session for all the guards on our pool deck. You are encouraged to watch the video created by Dr. Tom Griffiths at the following link: http://poolmanagementgroup.com/research/detail/bodies_on_the_bottom_of_a_pool_may_disappear_from_view. It is amazing how quickly a body that has slipped under the surface of the water can go undetected.

SCA is fortunate to contract with a safety-conscious pool management company. KPM and its employees do a great job keeping everyone safe at the pool.

DJ at the Pool

The DJ at the pool was cancelled due to inclement weather on July 4th - AND is rescheduled for Sunday, September 4th, from noon until 5 pm Labor Day weekend.

Don't miss the fun at the pool!

The Games People Play!

Did you know that many deaths and near-drownings are a direct result from children playing games in pools? Shallow water blackout is a big problem in swimming pools when a swimmer's breath is held for too long. The following games are dangerous in a pool. We encourage you to talk to your children about the following games they may be asked to play:

- Breath holding games, of any kind, including where young children take turns holding their breath in front of each other, often while standing up in the pool
- Any kind of contests or competitions to see who can swim the farthest underwater
- Individuals trying to see how far they can swim underwater or how long they can hold their breath
- Hyperventilation before going underwater
- "Dead Man's Float"

From the Manager's Desk....

As we approach the fall, I look back over the past eight months and assess what work has been accomplished and what still needs to be completed within Springhurst. I have been working closely with the board of directors to attain goals we have set. Some of these goals have come to fruition and some are still in the planning stages. We are now publishing a monthly newsletter to keep all residents of Springhurst informed of the neighborhood news. A new welcome packet has been developed and printed and is in the process of being distributed to all the new friends who have decided to make Springhurst their home. Capital improvements have been installed in the clubhouse



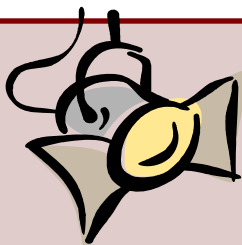
and pool, and many more updates are being researched for these areas. Overall it has been a good first eight months. The next steps to be taken involve budgeting decisions for 2012. I have enjoyed meeting many of you around the pool this summer and I have also found it wonderful to rekindle many old friendships from the past. As your property manager I continue to field questions and get answers for you from the proper committee or board member. It has been a pleasure serving you thus far. Early on I said that I would communicate to you issues I am hearing from your neighbors. The top complaints are: cars parked on the street, trees not trimmed for walkers, yards not mowed or kept weed-free, and speeding cars. Let's all be good neighbors and do what's right!

Important Phone Numbers to Keep Handy

Metro Call: Dial 311 or visit www.louisvilleky.com
 Animal Control: 363-6609 (Complaints—domestic animals only)
 BUD (Before You Dig): Dial 811
 Industrial Disposal: 638-9000
 LG&E: 589-3500 (To report power or gas problems)
 MSD: 587-0603 (To report clogged drain pipes and storm sewers)
 Police: 574-2111 (non-emergency questions)
 Police: 574-7111, #5 (non-emergency dispatch)
911 for Emergencies
 SCA Clubhouse Office: 425-4672

The Welcome Packet Is Here!

Property Manager, Pat Reeves has been delivering the newly developed "Welcome Packet" to the residents she is aware are new to Springhurst. If you have moved into Springhurst anytime within 2011, and have not received your packet, give Pat a call at 425-4672 so that she can prepare your packet for pick up. Each village has its own set of Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions, so these packets have to be tailored to each homeowner who requests one.

**Spotlight on SPRINGBROOKE**

In 1990, Springbrooke was the first village established in Springhurst by the original developer (STM). There are 64 single-family homes in Springbrooke. In an effort to bring the village together, several years ago the residents of Springbrooke began the "Pink Flamingo Fridays." A "Pink Flamingo Friday" works this way: Someone from the village volunteers to provide their backyard for a neighborhood gathering. About a week to a week and a half before, this resident places invitations (flyers) in the paper boxes of all the homes in the village. Families are asked to bring an appetizer to pass and a cooler of their preferred drinks along with chairs. The dress code is comfortable and casual. The hosting family will place the *notorious* pink flamingo yard ornaments on their front lawn the night of the party, and start welcoming guests. The party usually lasts from 6 pm until 10pm. The goal is to get someone to "adopt" the flamingo statues and become the next host/hostess for another fun-filled Friday night. This is a very friendly and easy way to meet your neighbors!



News from the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors met on Monday, August 15th for the regular monthly board meeting. Items discussed included covenant violations, White Blossom lake erosion, exterior modifications, speeding, detention basins at Wynbrooke and Felsmere, and reports from various committees. If you would like to learn more about your community, come to the next board meeting on September 19th.

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If you do not have computer access, please call the property manager at 425-4672 for a contact to be made for you.

The SCA Board meets on the third Monday of each month at 7 pm, in the clubhouse. Meetings are open to all residents. If you would like time on the agenda, contact the board secretary at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

ADVERTISE IN YOUR SPRINGHURST NEWSLETTER!!!

Newsletters are mailed quarterly. (March, June, September & December)
They are published online every month.

Ad Size	One Month	Two Consecutive Months
Business card	\$20	\$25
1/4 Page	\$40	\$50
1/2 Page	\$75	\$100
Full Page	\$125	\$175



The newsletter advertising application can be found under FAQs at www.springhurstonline.com.

As a service to the Springhurst residents, short classified ads for lawn mowing, babysitting etc. are free of charge if space is available.

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Advertising Insert

Call: 425-4672 if you wish to learn more about advertising in future issues!

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David and Cynthia Collier of White Blossom, encourage you to enjoy the professional lawn care services of their son-in-law, Dustin McGehee, owner of Greenside Outdoor Services! Dustin has been serving Springhurst for 13 years .



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