A quarterly insight into your community!

Classes! AQUATICS

Gentle Joints! Low intensity movement & stretch water exercise designed to improve flexibility and strengthen muscles. M/W/F 10-11am & T/TH 8-9am

Aqua Fitness & Exercise! Work at your own pace to a low to mid intensity full body workout. M/W/F 9-10am

Deep Water! Work out at your own pace to increase flexibility and endurance. Flotation belt must be worn. T/W/Th 8-9am

Aquafit Water Workout! Total workout for mind, body, & spirit. M/W 7-8pm

Evening Water Aerobics!

A dynamic cardiovascular full body workout. T/ TH 7-8pm.

CLASSROOM

Chair Yoga! Class meets on Fridays at 1pm for one hour. You will move your whole body through a complete series of seated and standing yoga poses. Great for ALL ages!

SALSA! Single or couples welcome. All ages. Meets Thursdays, 6:45-7:45pm

Aikido! Awareness and self-defense are learned through a cooperative training process designed to prevent injuries and allow students to develop at their own pace. T/W/TH 6:45-8:45pm; Sun 12:30-2:30pm

Modern Arnis! This martial arts style combines a variety of stick, knife, empty hand and Jujitsu techniques. Learn self-discovery, self-mastery, achieve personal excellence. M/F 7-9pm, Sat 9:30-11am

Personal Training with Heather

Paul! \$40 for 30 Minutes

Local vendors & sponsors wanted!





The Communicator is a quarterly newsletter that reaches over 6,700+ property owners within the Clear Lake Area. We have many local businesses within the Clear Lake area and we encourage them to take advantage of our low advertising rates to market their services.

Clear Lake City Community Association Board of Trustees welcomed Thomas L. Linton who was appointed to the board on January 30, 2019, as the new Oakbrook Trustee.

Thank you to those who contacted the office pertaining to the false information posted on Next Door and other social media sites regarding the proposed legislative bill that was included in the last newsletter. We always encourage you to contact the office for the facts. Unfortunately, for the second time, Representative Dennis Paul chose not to submit the bill regarding property code 206, even with CLCCA's attorney recommended changes. Please see the facts detailed within this newsletter pertaining to the issue with CLCCA founding documents and how the board asked for Representative Paul to assist.

Spring is in the air and it's that time of year to hire the needed lifeguards and summer day camp counselors. If you know of someone who is looking for a summer job, please have them contact the office or complete the job application that can be found at www.clcca.org under the "Forms" tab.

CLCCA's Election Day will be held on Saturday, May 4th from 7am-7pm in Room B. Trustee positions open are Camino South, Oakbrook, and Oakbrook West. The application is currently available online and in the office. The application deadline to appear on the ballot is Friday, April 19 at 5pm. Early voting dates are April 29-May 3, polls open from 11am-7pm. Absentee balloting is allowed. To receive an absentee ballot, call the Association at 281-488-0360 and ask to speak to the Election Judge or send a letter requesting an "Absentee Ballot" written on the outside of the envelope to the Attn: Election Judge, c/o CLCCA, 16511 Diana Lane, Houston, TX 77062. Your absentee ballot must be received in the mail by Friday, May 3, 2019, in order to be counted.

Annual Assessments will be mailed to each property owner within the CLCCA boundary in April and May. If you do not receive your assessment by June 15th, please contact the CLCCA office. If your mailing address has changed, call the office to update your contact information. CLCCA is not responsible for assessments mailed to the wrong address or being lost in the mail. Instructions on how to access the online property owner portal is included in this newsletter. Assessments must be paid by July 31st to avoid a \$25 late fee and a \$5 monthly late fee thereafter.

The CLCCA staff is always available to assist you with any questions the association and/or recreation needs.

Terry Canup
President

Rachel Morales General Manager



Important News

♦ Clear Lake City Community Association initiated a controlled access facility plan on December 3, 2018. Access to the facility will be allowed only through the 16511 Diana Lane gymentrance. This plan is being implemented to improve security measures and provide the knowledge of who is on the premises at all times in case of an emergency. All doors can still open from the

inside of any building and an emergency action plan is in place to open needed gates in case of an emergency.

- We need your help! Deed restriction drives occur monthly, and additional drives are completed as complaints come in. Approximately 175+ letters are mailed out monthly for common issues such as miscellaneous items out in public view, trash cans in public view, mold/mildew on home exteriors, inoperable vehicles, damaged or missing fence pickets, boats, trailers, parking on grass, etc. The deed restrictions can be found online. Please take the time to review the deed restrictions in your area so you are not in violation. Keep in mind that violations not cured within the allotted time could result in legal action. This will cost both the association and the property owner in legal fees. Let's help each other out by curing any current deed violations. If you are having difficulty in getting a violation cured, please contact the office to explain the situation. The association is always willing to work with the property owners when possible.
- CLCCA currently has \$272,609 in outstanding assessments, late fees and legal fees. This puts a burden on the association financially. If you owe the association money, please take care of this right away. Once final demand letters are sent, the board will vote to move your account to legal if we don't hear from you. This will cost the property owner even more in legal fees that could have been avoided. If you are having difficulty paying, please contact Janet Mayeaux at 281-488-0360, who can assist you in setting up a payment plan.
- The CLCCA Architectural Review Committee meets on the second Tuesday of every month. If you are considering an exterior change to your property, be sure to submit an online ARC request before you begin a project. The ARC committee must approve any exterior changes.
- ◆ <u>CLCCA Board of Trustee Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm.</u> You are welcome and encouraged to attend!
- <u>CLCCA is not directly associated with the trash pick up system around the Clear Lake area.</u> The City of Houston takes charge of the trash pick up system in our area. ALL questions regarding the picking up of debris, tree limbs, and junk will be answered by calling 311.

CLCCA receives the following common complaints. Please be mindful of the following:

- Residents placing their heavy trash or tree waste out on the curb days and sometimes weeks before the scheduled trash pick-up day. Please do your part to know when to put your trash out the night before or the morning of pick-up. If it's your neighbor leaving their trash out for days, please contact 311 or the Houston Police Department. When placing your cans at the curb, remember to leave 3 feet between each can and other objects such as cars, trees, and mailboxes so the trucks can pick the items up quickly.
- Vehicles parked in the street for days without being moved. If a vehicle is parked in front of your house for more than 24 hours, contact 311.
- Vehicles and trailers parked on the lawn. Please do not park any vehicle or trailer on grass.
- ◆ Trailers, boats, campers and RV's stored in public view. Even though some of the areas permit this, many of your neighbors do not appreciate them. These items make the community look like a storage facility, and your neighbors are concerned about their property values decreasing due to these items.
- Vehicles parked in driveways blocking sidewalks. This is a city ordinance violation, and you can be ticketed.
- Concrete and Wooden Fences. If you own a concrete or wooden fence facing El Camino Real, El Dorado, Pineloch, Space Center, etc., please maintain and power wash your fence by April 30 to avoid a deed violation letter.
- Sidewalks. The repair of sidewalks places the burden on the property owner that borders the sidewalk. If the sidewalk in front, along side, or in the back of your property is in need of repair, please make the necessary repairs.
- Removing a tree. If you plan to remove a tree, please make sure you seek approval in advance from the architectural review committee.



CLCCA Property Owner Portal!

Please take the time to register for the CLCCA portal so you can view your assessment balance and pay online. Annual assessments are due July 30, 2019. A \$25 late fee is applied on August 1, 2019 and a \$5 monthly fee thereafter for residential properties. CLCCA is not responsible for invoices lost in the mail. To register for the online portal, send an email to admin@clcca.org with your email address and physical property address so we can send you a link!

Documents Update

continues to operate on 1963 income. A McDonald's Big Mac that was only \$.28 in 1963 costs \$3.99 today! A gallon of gasoline was only \$.29!

Try to imagine the upkeep of your property today on 1963 income. A NASA engineer's starting salary in 1966 was \$7,700that's not a typo! Now try to imagine the financial upkeep of a large recreation center, 10 pools, three pool houses, six parks, soccer fields, tennis courts, baseball fields and several monument signs on 1963 income. Add to that insurance premiums and wages for both recreation and the property owners association.

FACT: CLCCA budgets to collect approximately \$621K from annual assessments. That amount is the most it's allowed by the Founding Documents. Unfortunately, CLCCA property owners don't always pay. Currently, accounts receivable is \$272,609. Therefore, not only is CLCCA running on 1963 income but it's running on less than what's budgeted. These funds are very much needed to help the association run and maintain the community.

FACT: Because of the way State law is written, CLCCA has been working with Representative Dennis Paul to amend property code over the last several years so that YOU, the property owner would have the right to vote on actions regarding the annual mill assessment. Unfortunately, CLCCA received the news 10 days before the legislative deadline that Rep. Paul was not going to submit the bill for consideration. CLCCA's attorney asked for his help to assist CLCCA with a bill that could help the association, but Representative Dennis Paul chose not to move forward.

FACT: Some residents have expressed concern about the motivation for seeking these changes. The CLCCA board's pursuit of these changes is NOT about money and power. It's about a desire to live up to its responsibilities to residents of the neighborhoods. Look around you....your neighborhood is deteriorating and your property values are being impacted. Do you like the direction your neighborhood is going? We all would like to see updated monuments, parks, pools, and a nice recreation center we'd all be proud to use. We'd all like to have neighborhood pools open for use more days in the summer.

FACT: The requested changes also do not mean the CLCCA Board would have unchecked power. They simply mean the association would have additional funds to improve the needed areas if the residents approved an increase. Right now, the association is operating on 1963 income with only five full-time employees. An association the size and age of CLCCA should be operating with more than 10 full time employees. Each neighborhood core should have its own staff member to report and stay on top of deed restrictions. CLCCA would utilize the funds to send more properties to legal when they repeatedly do not comply with deed restrictions. On 1963 income, the association is unable to accomplish this. It is strapped with picking its battles on where to place the funds first.

FACT: For those that would like the financial facts, we encourage you to review the budget, audits, and financial data publicly available online. Also, the Treasurer thoroughly reviews the monthly financials and gives an update at every board meeting. ALL property owners are welcome to attend. Property owners can also contact their board representatives, the Board Treasurer

FACT: CLCCA is a non-profit organization founded in 1963 and or the General Manager with any questions pertaining to the financials. The CLCCA Board and staff believe that transparency

> FACT: The current founding document does have a current theoretical method of voting but there is a problem with it. It reads,

> "Such annual charge may be adjusted from year to year by Clear Lake City Community Association, Inc., its successors or assigns, as the needs of the property may, in its judgement, require, but in no event shall such charge by raised above eight (8) mills per square foot of area, unless raised by the then owners of a majority of the square foot of area of the lots or property in ALL of said sections paying such charge.'

> So, as you see, it is a vote by square feet! And, ALL sections paying the assessment are to be included in the vote. The total square foot of dirt to vote is 83,091,096 77,811,703. The majority needed for a vote is 41,545,549 39,905,853. Commercial and exempt property alone is 37,989,084 32,709,691! This makes it realistically impossible to change anything via this voting method, especially when property owners don't show up to vote.

> FACT: Since a vote as described in the founding documents is pretty much impossible to accomplish, Clear Lake City Community Association is unable to apply Property Code Section 209.0041 to vote to amend the dedicatory instrument. Texas Property Code Section 209.0041(c) provides that this section of the property code "does not apply to a property owners association that is subject to chapter 552, government code by application of section 552.0036, government code." Since Texas Government Code Section 552.0036 is the provision which subjects CLCCA to the Texas Open Meetings Act and Texas Public Information Act, it is unable to utilize the declaration amendment provision of 209.0041 to amend its founding document. Therefore, it is legally necessary for CLCCA to approach Texas state legislature in amending the property code.

> **FACT:** The current unrealistic method of voting is why the **CLCCA** board went to Representative Dennis Paul for help but he failed to understand the issue at hand. He actually told the CLCCA via conference call, that he thought giving the property owners the right to vote was unconstitutional. As stated in his March 14, 2019 letter to the CLCCA Board of Trustees posted on the www.clcca.org website, Representative Dennis Paul would like the association to use the existing theoretical voting method, which would mean using funds for a complicated process that are desperately needed elsewhere.

> FACT: The CLCCA is very disappointed in the last minute decision. The bill proposal was already in Austin with his backing. Representative Dennis Paul had years to raise objections to the proposed legislation. He had the language for the proposed change explained to him by numerous lawyers, CLCCA staff and board members. He has had the CLCCA's situation documented for him. Yet, he chose to wait until there was no recourse for the **CLCCA** because of state legislative time deadlines to withdraw his support. Therefore, property owners within the CLCCA are currently still denied the right to vote via a new method of voting.

Property owners do retain the right to vote for state representatives that understand their plight. The state representative election will be in 2020.

TRASH PICK-UP Trashcans should never be in public view before and after trash pick up. Residence of the month. Troo Waste is collected dents may dispose of their Tree Waste and Junk Waste at their curbside on the second Wednesday of the month. Tree Waste is collected during ODD numbered months, and Junk Waste is collected during EVEN numbered months. "Tree Waste" is defined as "clean" wood waste such as tree limbs, branches, and stumps. Lumber, furniture, and treated wood will NOT be accepted. Junk Waste may NOT be placed for collection during a Tree Waste month. Tree Waste months are January, March, May, July, September, and November. "Junk Waste" is defined as items such as furniture, appliances, and other bulky material. Tree Waste is accepted during Junk Waste Months; however, to ensure your Tree Waste is recycled, you may hold your tree waste materials until the next Tree Waste designated month or take it to a Neighborhood Depository/Recycling Center. Junk Waste months are February, April, June, August, October and December. Residents who wish to dispose of Tree Waste or Junk Waste before their scheduled once-per-month collection must call 311. PLEASE DO NOT PUT YOUR TREE OR JUNK WASTE OUT DAYS OR WEEKS BEFORE THE SCHEDULED PICK-UP. Violation of any provision of the solid waste ordinance is punishable upon first conviction by a fine of no less than \$50 nor more than \$2,000. Each subsequent conviction is punishable by a fine of no less than \$250 nor more than \$2,000. Each day that any violation continues may be punishable as a separate offense. We en-

- ences . If you own a wooden fence, please be sure to pressure wash it to remove all dirt, mold & mildew. Also be sure to replace any missing or damaged pickets.
 - If you own a concrete fence, please pressure wash it to remove dirt, mold & mildew. Also repair or replace any damaged or missing panels.

Lunar Landing

our house number can be a lifesaver!

There are many homes and businesses throughout the District that do not have identifying numbers properly posted. Not having your residence or business numbers posted properly could cause a delay in the arrival of Emergency Services when needed. If you do have identifying numbers posted, make sure that they are the correct size and posted properly. Failure to post identifying numbers can result in a fine.

courage property owners to report a violation or to file a complaint by dialing 311.

Memorial Day Weekend Friday, May 24th

Clear Lake City Rec Center Main Pool 5:30—10:00 pm **Movie starts at dark** Games, food trucks, music, fun and more! Sponsors & Vendors Welcome Contact 281-488-0360 for more details Free for those with pool passes or \$5 a person. **Everyone is welcome!**



+ American Red Cross Lifeguard Certification



Lifeguard, CPR/AED Certification is good for 2 years.

Class Dates:

(MUST ATTEND BOTH DAYS)

April 13-14 April 27-28 May 4-5 May 18-19 June 1-2 (Last class)

Times: 8am-6pm (*Times are estimated and may*

slightly change)

Cost: \$235per person

Pre-requisites:

• Must be 15 years of age

• Must successfully swim 300 yards continuously *There is no time limit, however this must be performed without stopping.

• Swim 20 yards, surface dive, retrieve a 10-pound object, return to the surface, swim 20 yards back to the starting point with the object and exit the water without using a ladder or steps within 1 minute 40 seconds.

Register Online: WWW.CLCCA.ORG

Summer Jobs!

CLCCA IS NOW HIRING LIFEGUARDS & CAMP COUNSELORS!

Lifeguards must be 15+ years of age & Red Cross Lifeguard Certified

Camp Counselors must be 18+ years of age & Red Cross CPR & First Aid Certified

Contact Gary Cecil at Gcecil@clcca.org to apply for a lifeguard position

Contact Robyn Evans at Revans@clcca.org to apply for a camp counselor position



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Room, Pool & Gym Rentals!

Looking for a place to hold a graduation party, family reunion, birthday party, baby shower, bridal shower, or just a place to get together?

CLCCA's facility rooms, gym and pools are ready for reservations!



www.clcca.org/campclearlake



Clear Lake City Rec Center will now be partnering with the Silver Sneakers Fitness Program starting in 2019! Check our website for more details or give us a call.

ADVERTISE your business to 6,700+ property owners in the CLCCA Communicator!

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1 / 8 Page 10.5 SQ IN	\$90.00	\$171.00	\$324.00
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1 / 2 Page 42 SQ IN	\$360.00	\$684.00	\$1,296.00

Summer Pool Hours!

Recreation Center Outdoor Pool
16511 Diana Lane

June 3-August 18 Open Daily 1pm-7:30pm

Indoor Pool
Monday-Friday
5:30am-1pm & 3:30pm-8pm
Saturday—Noon-6pm
Sunday—2pm-6pm

Krueger Park—Meadowgreen
400 Woodcombe

June 7-August 18 Open Friday-Sunday 2pm-7pm

Rutledge Park—Camino South: 16445 Shell Lake

June 7-August 18 Open Friday-Sunday 2pm-7pm





Park Bench & Picnic Table Dedication Program

Clear Lake City Community Association implemented a park bench and picnic table dedication program. This program is designed for those who wish to contribute to the beauty of the parks by purchasing a park bench or picnic table to be installed in someone's honor or memory.

If you are interested in leaving a lasting memory for a loved one, please contact the office at 281-488-0360. Four park benches were installed recently at some of the parks.

Thank you to those who have contributed to this program!

HOW TO GET RID OF WEEDS IN YOUR LAWN

- 1. In the fall, seed your lawn and aerate if necessary.
- 2. Give your turf one last short mow and fertilization treatment before winter.
- Come spring, start fresh with preemergent and hand pick any lingering weeds.
- 4. Mow your lawn regularly in spring and summer, being careful not to remove more than a third of grass at a time.

Visit your community's website

WWW.CLCCA.ORG

This is a valuable resource for all the information you need about your community. Here are just a few of the features available to you online:

- Read Governing Documents
- Submit an online Architectural Review Application
- Find board representatives & general manager contact info.
- ♦ Download your annual budget
- Download audits and IRS tax returns
- View available recreation and rental facilities
- View recreation classes offered
- Find community event details
- Read board and committee meeting minutes
- Subscribe to the email blasts to hear about upcoming meetings and events

CLCCA Swim Lessons Ages 6-up Group and Privates Available CALL NOW FOR SWIM LESSONS Call 281-488-0360 or email mmosley@cleea.org for information







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