



A Message From The Directors

The next Property Owner's Meeting will be held on August 19th at 7:00 pm at the Fire Station. Please make plans to attend.

Please be sure to check the Carriage Hills website at: www.carriagehillscia.com often for information regarding updates, alerts and events that are happening in and around the neighborhood.

We would like to thank all the sponsors, volunteers and residents who donated, volunteered their time and supported the BBQ Cook-Off & Fundraiser. It's events like this that will allow special projects to be done in our community.



Have a Safe & Happy Summer!!

ACC Meeting Nights

The AC committee meets the **first and third TUESDAYS of the month**. Applications must be submitted by the Sunday night prior to the meeting. All improvements (fence, deck, pool, home, or garage, etc) need to be submitted for approval to the ACC. There are applications and regulation agreements to be filled out and signed on all items submitted for construction. These forms are available on the website. Deposits are required on new home construction. Please contact one of the following ACC committee members: Jeff Schrick (Chairman) 271-0313, Willard Sutton 273-3748, Ray Furchak 321-1871 or Pete Kaptain 273-3249.



Welcome New Residents

We would like to welcome all of the new residents to Carriage Hills. We hope that you enjoy living in the Carriage Hills community. If you have not received your residential vehicle stickers, deed restrictions, directory or community information, please contact Susan at Investment Management at 936-756-0032.

Vehicle ID Stickers



As stated in previous newsletters, due to vandalism, theft, underage drinking, evidence of drug use and trespassing in our community, Vehicle ID stickers are being issued to all residents. These Vehicle ID stickers are going to be used to easily identify vehicles within our community as well as in our common areas, i.e.: park, tennis courts, etc. These stickers will allow not only law enforcement to easily identify residents, but residents to identify other residents as well. **All** vehicles used by residents need to be registered. Registration forms are available online. Once registered, you will receive an ID sticker for each vehicle you own. The ID sticker needs to be placed on your windshield in the bottom right corner (passenger side). If you do not want the sticker affixed to your vehicle, please place it somewhere visible from the front windshield.

Please be advised: Towing of unauthorized vehicles (without stickers) will begin in the next few weeks.

Pool/Park Areas



Here is some general information about the Pool/Park area that we would like to remind and/or inform residents of:

- ❖ The park closes at 10:00 pm.
 - ❖ This is a private park that belongs to Carriage Hills. All guests **MUST** be accompanied by a resident.
 - ❖ All vehicles **MUST** have a Carriage Hills Vehicle ID Sticker.
 - ❖ Please DO NOT drive on the grass!
 - ❖ Please DO NOT litter. Garbage cans have been installed.
 - ❖ Please DO NOT dump garbage in and/or around this area.
 - ❖ Please be careful, there are poisonous snakes in this area.
 - ❖ Please be aware of alligators in the pond. Please be careful with children and pets.
 - ❖ Please drive carefully especially when the road is wet – please do not tear up the road at any time.
- Your cooperation and understanding is greatly appreciated.



Dates to Remember

June 5

Last day of school

June 6

Pool Opens for Season

June 14

Flag Day

June 15

Father's Day



BBQ Cook-Off

May 3, 2008

What a day! The weather was beautiful, the food was great and everyone had a wonderful time. The Carriage Hills BBQ Cook-Off & Fundraiser was a great success. This event yielded a profit of \$2600.00.

❖ Thank you to the following volunteers, who went door to door, sat at the tennis courts and stood on the boulevard pre-selling BBQ Cook-Off tickets: Cathy Phillips, Lisa LeBlanc, Annette Lira, Julie Basko, Angie Bateman, Sophie & Nicolas Stutler, and Brian Arceneaux.

❖ Thank you to the following volunteers who helped serve food the day of the BBQ Cook-Off: Bill and Gail Royster, Heath Westfield, Sophie Stutler, Tony & Nancy Schaeffer.

❖ Thank you to Mark and Cathy Phillips for Chairing this event and taking care of all the Cooking Teams.

❖ Thank you to Lisa and Mark LeBlanc for running the Silent Auction, obtaining donated items, raffles, sno-cones and decorations.

❖ Thank you to the following for their help throughout the day with various jobs: Angie Bateman & Jeff Cramer, Greg Vick, Johnny & Karen Keels, Toni & David Campbell, Mark & Annette Lira, Markie LeBlanc, Kody Soeder, Lance Stephens, Larry Reynolds, Brian and Maureen Arceneaux.

❖ Thank you to Roy Leck, the winner of the 50/50 Raffle, he donated his winnings back to the subdivision. What a generous thing to do!

❖ Thank you to Sheriff Tommy Gage, Commissioner Craig Doyal and resident Robert Bonnette for serving as judges.

Hats off to these Carriage Hills Residents!



❖ Thank you to Cathy Phillips and Lisa LeBlanc for volunteering to take care of all of the plantings in the flower beds in Carriage Hills. This will save the subdivision quite a bit of money each year and allow other projects to be done.

❖ Thank you to Lisa LeBlanc for sanding & painting the swing set and volleyball poles in the pool/park area.

❖ Thank you to Mark & Justin Phillips for trimming the trees at the Pool/Park area.

❖ Thank you to Larry Reynolds for mowing our property on the other side of the lake-wow, what a difference!

❖ Thank you to Johnny Keels for mowing the park beyond the maintained areas for the BBQ Cook-Off.

❖ Thank you to Lisa LeBlanc for heading up the playground renovations at the pool/park area. The play structure was completed at a discounted price.

❖ Thank you to David Campbell for pressure washing the steps and sidewalk leading up to the pool.

❖ Thank you to Lisa LeBlanc and Toni Campbell for sanding and painting the wrought iron fencing at the pool.

Volunteers are an invaluable resource for our subdivision. Without them, many things would not be possible. If you know of a resident who is always doing good deeds, but has not been recognized, please send us the information. We would love to recognize and thank them.



Volunteers Needed The Carriage Hills “Honey-Do” List

We are in need of some help in maintaining the common grounds in Carriage Hills. To save money and still allow these areas to be fixed up, we are asking for possible volunteers for the following tasks:

❖ A group of volunteers are needed to rake, blow, bag and clean-up the center median of the boulevard.

❖ Landscaping timbers on the boulevard @ Cobblecreek need to be repaired and/or replaced.

❖ Volunteers are needed to help keep the common grounds mowed and looking nice. (The areas that are not being maintained by the lawn service.) Gas and training on the CH tractor will be provided.

If you are able to do one or more of these jobs, please contact Cathy at 936-321-4059 or Lisa at 936-321-6690.

Any and all help is greatly appreciated.



Summer is Here!

The last day of school is June 5th. Please be sure to slow down and watch out for kids in and near the roads. Let's make sure our kids have a safe and happy summer.



It's vacation time again. To sign up for vacation watch, please visit the Carriage Hills website, print out the form, fill it out and mail it in to the address listed. It's just that easy. Enjoy your vacation.



The Carriage Hills BBQ Cook-Off & Fundraiser



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BBQ Cook-Off Team Winners



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1st

Bill DeBerry / Johnny Keels / Jeff Cramer

1st

Bill DeBerry / Johnny Keels / Jeff Cramer

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Needham Fire #1 / John Bilides / Chris Weaver

2nd

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3rd

Floyd Duval / Carroll Bengé

CHICKEN

DESSERT

1st

Mark Phillips / Jim Dye / Dennis Smith

1st

Marian Leck

2nd

John Skibinski / Roy Leck

3rd

Jonathan Cook / Kyle Soeder / James Roundtree

Thank You & Congratulations to all the Participants!!!!

Annual Board of Directors Elections

The Carriage Hills Board of Directors Annual Election yielded the following results: Lisa LeBlanc was elected to a three year term. With no other candidates, we are a board member short and hopefully will be able to fill the position soon. We would like to thank David Henry for his years of service to the community as a Carriage Hills Board member.



Fire Department

Volunteers are always needed! If you are interested or to obtain more information on joining, please contact John Bilides at 936-273-2770 or call the fire station at 936-321-0999.



Curfew

Did you know that there is a curfew in Montgomery County? The law states that anyone under the age of 17 may not be out in public unattended from the hours of 12:01 a.m. until 6:00 a.m. Monday through Sunday. If caught, the fine can be up to \$500.00. For more information and to view the law please visit the website at: www.co.montgomery.tx.us/jp1/index.shtml



Park & Pool Rental

Are you aware that residents may rent the pool and/or park? They are great places to hold a birthday party, family reunion, wedding, company picnic etc. Please contact a board member for more information.



Friendly Reminders

- Please remember to remove Garage Sale signs as soon as the event is over.
- Lost/Found Pets signs should not be attached to the information sign, traffic signs, trees, etc. Signs should be free standing. Free website ads are available for locating pets.
- Garbage cans should not be stored where visible from the road. Please do not keep your garbage cans out near the street all week.
- No boats or trailers shall be permitted to be placed in front of any residence.
- ATV's and Golf Carts are not permitted on county maintained roads. This is a ticketable offense.
- Please remember to keep your homes, garages and vehicles locked. Please report any suspicious activity to local law enforcement.
- Please obey the County leash law. Please secure your pets for their safety as well as for the safety of the residents.

Summer Safety Tips

By [Vincent Iannelli, M.D.](#), About.com



More than 3.7 million consumers went to hospital emergency rooms with product-related injuries in June, July and August 2001. During that summer, about 836,000 more consumers suffered product-related injuries than in January, February and March 2001. To avoid becoming a 2002 statistic, CPSC advises everyone to enjoy summer activities with safety in mind.

- One of the best ways to stay safe this summer is to wear a helmet and other safety gear when biking, skating and skateboarding, and when riding scooters, all-terrain vehicles, and horses. Studies on bicycle helmets have shown they can reduce the risk of head injury by as much as 85 percent.
- Use layers of protection to prevent a swimming pool tragedy. This includes placing barriers completely around your pool to prevent access, using door and pool alarms, closely supervising your child and being prepared in case of an emergency.
- Never bring charcoal grills indoors. Burning charcoal produces deadly carbon monoxide.
- When cooking outdoors with a gas grill, check the air tubes that lead into the burner for any blockage from insects, spiders, or food grease. Check grill hoses for cracking, brittleness, holes, and leaks. Make sure there are no sharp bends in the hose or tubing. If you ever detect a leak, immediately turn off the gas at the tank and don't attempt to light the grill until the leak is fixed. Newer grills and propane tanks have improved safety devices to prevent gas leaks.
- Make sure your home playground is safe. Falls cause 60 percent of playground injuries, so having a safe surface is critical. Concrete, asphalt or packed dirt surfaces are too hard. Use at least 9 inches of wood chips or mulch.
- Use softer-than standard baseballs, safety-release bases and batting helmets with face guards to reduce baseball-related injuries to children.

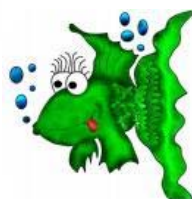
- If you are a soccer mom or dad, beware that movable soccer goals can fall over and kill children. Make sure the goal is anchored securely at all times and never allow anyone to climb on the net or goal framework or hang from the cross bar. Remove nets when the goals are not in use.
- To prevent serious injuries while using a trampoline, allow only one person on at a time, and do not allow somersaults. Use a shock-absorbing pad that completely covers the springs and place the trampoline away from structures and other play areas. Kids under 6-years-old should not use full-size trampolines.
- Don't allow a game of hide-n-seek to become deadly. CPSC has received reports of numerous suffocation deaths involving children who crawled inside old cedar chests, latch-type freezers and refrigerators, iceboxes in campers, clothes dryers and picnic coolers. Childproof old appliances, warn children not to play inside them.
- If summer plans include camping and you want heat inside your tent or camper, use one of the new portable heaters that are equipped with an oxygen depletion sensor (ODS). If oxygen levels start to fall inside your tent or camper, the ODS automatically shuts down the heater before it can produce deadly levels of carbon monoxide (CO). Do not attempt to use alternative sources of heat or power to warm a tent or camper. Traditional camping heaters, charcoal grills, camping lanterns, and gas generators also can cause CO poisoning.
- Install window guards to prevent children from falling out of open windows. Guards should be installed in children's bedrooms, parents' bedrooms, and other rooms where young children spend time. Or, install window stops that permit windows to open no more than 4 inches. Whenever possible, open windows from the top - not the bottom. Also, keep furniture away from windows to discourage children from climbing near windows.
- Summer also means yard work. When mowing, keep small children out of the yard, and turn the mower off if children enter the area. If the lawn slopes, mow across the slope with the walk-behind rotary mower, never up and down. With a riding mower, drive up and down the slope, not across it. Never carry children on a riding mower.

You must give some time to your fellow man. Even if it's a little thing, do something for which you get not pay but the privilege of doing it.

--Albert Schweitzer

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