

RIVER PARK WEST

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COMMUNITY UPDATE

Greetings RiverPark West!

The annual meeting is upon us and we hope you will make plans to join us on Monday, July 17th. at Hutchison Elementary from 6-8:30 p.m. We will have community leaders in attendance which include Fire Chief Mike Youngblood and Sheriff Eric Fagan as well as member(s) of MUD 121, the Association attorney Margaret Maddox and additional RPW vendors. Light snacks will be provided by the Association.

We will go over the designs/updates for the Recreation Center upgrade project, hear from our guest speakers, discuss important community information and take questions from homeowners.

National Night Out will be held this October and we are looking for section hosts! If you would like to host for your section, the Association will assist with providing food/drinks.

If you are interested in volunteering to assist with community events, please contact rpwcoordinator@gmail.com with your availability.

Please make sure you are signed up on www.riverparkwestonline.org and have notifications turned ON so you don't miss any important announcements or events for the community. Additionally, please ensure you are registered with Crest at www.Crest-Management.com to receive account notifications and meeting announcements.

As a reminder, all exterior modifications require an EMR submission via Crest with information regarding the proposed modification prior to starting. Any completed modifications made without prior approval are subject to fines until corrected/removed if applicable. All community documents including Residential Design Guidelines and Deed Restrictions are available online at both RPW and Crest's website for your reference. Your Assistant Community Manager Beth and on site coordinator Dee are happy to answer EMR related questions and provide support through the process.

If there are issues in common areas or deed restriction violations that require attention, please forward the address and any applicable photos to Beth and Dee via email at bethr@crest-management.com and rpwcoordinator@gmail.com. Although we can not provide information about another owners account, we can advise that we have received the information and have taken appropriate action to remedy the issue. Together, all owners and residents can continue to beautify the neighborhood and preserve the investment everyone makes in turning their house into a home.

As always, thank you to all the wonderful neighbors who make RiverPark West the best place to call home.

RESIDENT CORNER

MANAGEMENT COMPANY

Crest Management - 281-579-0761
www.crest-management.com

Community Manager - Melanee 281-945-4677
Contact for maintenance items,
contractor issues and Board requests.
MelaneeB@crest-management.com

Assistant Manager - Beth 281-945-4633
Contact for architectural control matters
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bethr@crest-management.com

Community Accountant-Cheryl 281-945-4652
Contact for payment and accounting matters.
Cheryl@crest-management.com

ONSITE & EVENTS COORDINATOR

Dee Norman
Email: rpwcoordinator@gmail.com
346-380-9743

COMMUNITY WEBSITES

www.facebook.com/RiverParkWest
www.riverparkwestonline.org
www.fbcmud121.org

Richmond Post Office - Have mail concerns or need to obtain a mailbox key? Visit the Post Office in person at 5560 FM 1640 RD 77469, Richmond Texas with a copy of proof of ownership documents or lease agreement Mon-Fri 9 AM-5 PM, Sat 9 AM-12 PM, Sun Closed

Informed Delivery - This feature sends a daily picture of all the mail for the owner's address to a registered email address before the carrier touches it. Click Track and Manage, Informed Delivery, Check for Eligibility. Visit USPS.com.

BOARD INFORMATION

Armando DeHoyos - President
Larry Wilson - Vice President
Jorge Diaz - Secretary/Treasurer

Board Meetings are held the 3rd Monday of every month being open to the public for all homeowners at 7:00 PM. Confirmed meeting dates are notified 72 hours in advance on the official community website and sent via email to registered emails.

Please be sure to register your email to stay informed.

Trash Collection & Heavy Pick-Up days are Mondays & Thursdays (Recycling & heavy trash on Monday) - Residents can contact WCA directly for payment and trash container request by phone 281-368-8377 or by email riverparkwest@wcamerica.com.

Street parking complaints can be reported directly to Fort-bend County Sheriff Dept. 281-341-4665 press #4 for Dispatch or from the web site. Click on 'Report a Traffic Complaint' and fill in the blanks then submit at www.fortbendcountytexas.gov.

CenterPoint Energy maintains street lights throughout the community. Please use the form online to report a street light outage. If you need to report a power outage please call 713-207-2222.

To report street repairs in the community, please submit a maintenance request form online or contact the Fort Bend County Road & Bridge division at 281-342-4513.

www.fortbendcountytexas.gov/government/departments-o-z/road-and-bridge/maintenance-request

To report street & drainage concerns, questions about your water bill & usage, contact City of Richmond 281-342-5456.

For water billing questions, to report a water problem, pay tax bill, report street light outages, contact Fort Bend County MUD 121, www.fbcmud121.org.



If You See An Alligator

ABOUT ALLIGATORS....

The American alligator was once very common in rivers, creeks, and backwater sloughs of East and South Texas. Unregulated market hunting and habitat alteration resulted in near extirpation of the species in Texas by the 1950's. Legal protection, enhanced habitat conditions, and new water impoundment projects have resulted in a rapid repopulation of Texas by alligators during the past 20 years. To complicate matters, an ever-expanding human population continues to encroach upon the alligator's domain. These factors contribute to increased encounters between alligators and people.

Most Texans in "gator country" will live in close proximity to these native reptiles with no confrontations. However, there are occasions when certain alligators become "a nuisance" and must be handled by the proper authorities. TPWD received more than 400 nuisance alligator calls in Southeast Texas during 2003. (A substantial number of these were not true problem gators, and the sheer volume of these reports is taxing available manpower and resources needed to handle the real problems.) More than 100 alligators were relocated, mostly from subdivisions adjacent to natural habitat. A similar number had to be killed in similar situations. In these incidents alligators had lost their fear of humans and exhibited aggressive behavior. Relocation is not always a viable option, as by nature these animals are territorial. Relocating problem animals to other areas often creates greater problems. What is needed is a better-educated populace more able to recognize the few nuisance alligators and to coexist safely with the majority of alligators that are not nuisances.

The current legal definition of a nuisance gator is "an alligator that is depredating [killing livestock or pets] or a threat to human health or safety" under definitions laid out in the Texas Administrative Code (Title 31, Part 2, Chapter 65, Section 65.352). The following information should help you determine if the observed alligator may pose a threat to you or your property. If, after reading the following, you determine that an alligator is a "nuisance," please contact the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department law enforcement communications center in Austin at (512) 389-4848.



Don't - kill, harass, molest or attempt to move alligators. State law prohibits such actions, and the potential for being bitten or injured by a provoked alligator is high.

Do - call your TPWD regional office if you encounter a nuisance gator that has lost its fear of people.

Don't - allow small children to play by themselves in or around water.

Do - closely supervise children when playing in or around water.

Don't - swim at night or during dusk or dawn when alligators most actively feed.

Do - use ordinary common care. Swim only during daylight hours.

IF YOU SEE AN ALLIGATOR...

- If the alligator is not approaching people or otherwise posing an obvious threat, wait a few days if possible - even up to a week - before contacting TPWD. In spring and summer, alligators are moving to breed and find new habitat. Most of the alligators moving around are smaller ones that have been pushed out of their normal habitat by larger alligators. Usually, these smaller alligators will move further on in a week or two.
- If you hear an alligator hiss, it's a warning that you are too close.
- Alligators have a natural fear of humans, and usually begin a quick retreat when approached by people. If you have a close encounter with an alligator a few yards away, back away slowly. It is extremely rare for wild alligators to chase people, but they can run up to 35 miles per hour for short distances on land. Never make the mistake of thinking that an alligator is slow and lethargic. Alligators are extremely quick and agile and will defend themselves when cornered. A female protecting her nest might charge a person who gets close to the nest, but she would quickly return to the nest after the intruder left.
- It is not uncommon for alligators to bask along the banks of a pond or stream for extended periods of time. These alligators are usually warming their bodies; they are not actively hunting. Often times a basking alligator may be seen with its mouth open; this is a way to cool its body temperature down, since alligators do not pant or sweat. An approaching human should cause these alligators to retreat into the water. (In some cases, the alligator may be protecting a nest - see below.) However, an alligator may be considered a nuisance if it leaves the banks of the water body to spend time near homes, livestock pens, or other structures.
- If you walk near the water and an alligator comes straight toward you, especially if it comes out of the water, it is definitely a nuisance alligator that needs to be reported to TPWD. In many cases, these are alligators that have been fed by people or have been allowed to get human food.
- If you see an alligator while walking a pet make sure that your pet is on a leash and under your control. Your pet will naturally be curious, and the alligator may see an easy food source. Alligators have a keen sense of smell. In areas near alligator sightings it is wise to keep pets inside a fenced area or in the house for a few days, during which the alligator will often move on.
- If you see an alligator in the roadway, DO NOT attempt to move it! Notify local authorities so the alligator can be handled safely.
- If you see a large alligator in your favorite swimming hole or pond, do not swim with it. Although alligator attacks in Texas are rare, it can happen. The "attack" reports in Texas are usually more accurately described as "encounters." As with all outdoor activities, realize that wildlife encounters are a possibility.
- It is not uncommon for alligators to pursue top-water fishing lures, and this activity does not constitute a threat to humans. As with fish, alligators are attracted to these lures because they mimic natural food. Most alligators can be easily scared away from boats or fishing lures. However, alligators that repeatedly follow boats, canoes, or other watercraft, and/or maintain a close distance without submersing may be considered nuisance alligators.
- If you see a nuisance alligator, consider why it is there. Did someone clean fish and throw the heads into a pond or river? If so, they created a potential alligator problem and could be breaking state regulations. Since October 1, 2003, it has been a Class C misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to \$500 for anyone caught feeding an alligator.

Summer Pasta With Zucchini, Ricotta and Basil

Ingredients:

- Extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 small onion, finely diced
- 2 pounds zucchini, sliced into $\frac{1}{4}$ - inch-thick pieces (for larger zucchini, cut in half lengthwise before slicing)
- Salt and pepper
- 2 garlic cloves, minced, or 2 tablespoons chopped green garlic
- 1 ounce basil, about 2 cups loose leaves
- 1 pound ziti or other dry pasta
- 8 ounces ricotta, about 1 cup
- Pinch of crushed red pepper
- Zest of 1 lemon
- 2 ounces grated Parmesan, pecorino or a mixture, about 1 cupper condiment)
- 2 cups oil for frying, or as needed
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup mayonnaise
- 2 tablespoons honey
- 2 tablespoons sweet chili sauce
- 1 teaspoon gochujang (Korean hot pepper paste)



- Step 1- Put a pot of water on to boil. In a large skillet over medium-high heat, cook the onions in 3 tablespoons olive oil until softened, 5 to 8 minutes. Reduce heat as necessary to keep onions from browning. Add zucchini, season generously with salt and pepper, and continue cooking, stirring occasionally until rather soft, about 10 minutes. Turn off heat.
- Step 2- Meanwhile, use a mortar and pestle to pound garlic, basil and a little salt into a rough paste (or use a mini food processor). Stir in 3 tablespoons olive oil.
- Step 3- Salt the pasta water well and put in the pasta, stirring. Boil per package instructions but make sure to keep pasta quite al dente. Drain pasta, reserving 1 cup of cooking water.
- Step 4- Add cooked pasta to zucchini in skillet and turn heat to medium high. Add $\frac{1}{2}$ cup cooking water, then the ricotta, crushed red pepper and lemon zest, stirring to distribute. Check seasoning and adjust. Cook for 1 minute more. Mixture should look creamy.
- Serve immediately.

Events Around Town July



MISCHIEF MANAGED



Get ready to have more fun than a Weasley in a magic joke shop! It's a Potter-inspired event at the Fort Bend Children's Discovery Center. Come in costume as your Wizarding World alter-ego and then snap a selfie with a few wizarding world characters! Joining us will be Newt Scamander accompanied by a Hufflepuff friend. And don't miss a spectacular magic performance as Houstonian sensation Mr. Leo entertains muggles, witches and wizards alike.

Newt Scamander Meet & Greet
11am & 12pm*
Location: Kidtropolis Central

Mr. Leo Magic Show
2pm & 3pm*
Location: Kidtropolis Central

(*Times subject to change. Harry Potter, Ron and Hermione are busy at the Ministry of Magic and will not be able to attend this event. But you are welcome to come dressed as whichever Wizarding World character you please.)

SMART FINANCIAL EVENTS

July 1- Enrique Guzman
July 2- RuPaul's Drag Race
July 7- Eslabon Armado
July 14- Marca MP
July 15- Luis R Conriquez
July - Jackson Browne
July 22- Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone In Concert
July 23- Enrique Guzman

Aug 3- Kenny Loggins
Aug 4- Banda MS
Aug 9- Daryl Hall and The Daryl's House Band
Aug 10- Peso Pluma- Second Show
Aug 18- Ruben Blades
Aug 19- Counting Crows
Aug 24- Grupo Frontera
Aug 25- Kidz Bop
Aug 26- Fuerza Regida
Aug 27- Fuerza Regida- Second Show
Aug 31- Arcangel

Country Music Series: Chris Stapleton Cover

2711 Plaza Drive

Sugar Land, TX 77479

Dates: July 7, 2023

Location: Sugar Land Town Square



COUNTRY MUSIC SERIES

CHRIS STAPLETON COVER

featuring Tennessee Whiskey

FRIDAY, JULY 7 | 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM

NEED TO RESERVE THE CLUBHOUSE?

To make a reservation for the clubhouse, please visit www.riverparkwestonline.org and click on Reservations. For questions, contact your Community Coordinator, Dee Norman at 346-380-9743 or via email - rpwcoordinator@gmail.com

You are required to read the Clubhouse Rules & Rental Contract. Dates are first come/first served. The rental rules and contract must be completed and submitted to the clubhouse office to receive approval along with payment of \$50 for the rental fee and the \$275 security deposit which is refundable. (Please submit two separate checks) Make sure you have your pool access card as the card will be your key for the clubhouse.

To reserve a time slot please submit your name, property address, date/time of rental (please include set up time and clean up time), last 5 digits of your access card and event type. Maximum reserve time is 10 hours.

Your HOA account must be paid current for your reservation to be approved.

RiverPark West Community events that require the usage of the clubhouse will take precedence over any individual reservations. These events are on the Reservation Calendar and the Community Events Calendar.



Residents of Riverpark West POA

Your community has launched a Nabr Network mobile app and website for your community! Please check your email for a welcome email with login credentials.

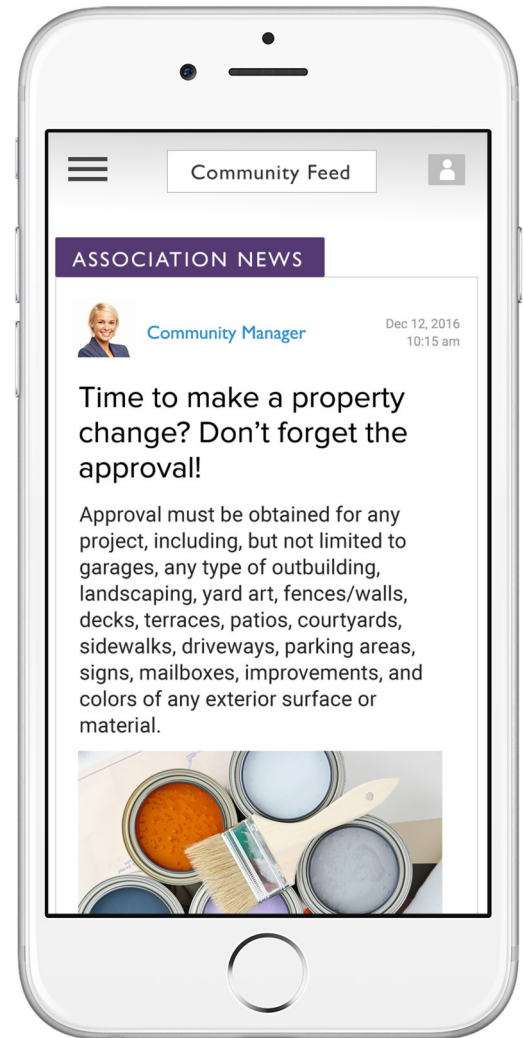
Get important HOA information and connect with your association:

- Receive notifications, messages and reminders from your HOA and HOA management company
- Find HOA documents, forms and events information
- Find contact information for the HOA management company

There are multiple ways to access the website and app:

- Follow the link in the welcome email or go to riverparkwest.nabrnetwork.com
- Text “nabr” to 59248 and receive a text back with an app download link
- Search for the mobile app “Nabr Network” in Apple or Google Play store

If you do not receive a welcome email, use the “Not Registered” link and follow the instructions. If you are a new resident to the community, it may take a few days for the management company to confirm your residency. An email notification with login credentials will be sent to you once you are authorized. If you have any issues or need login support, please contact Nabr Network support (support@nabrnetwork.net).



GET THE APP! TEXT “nabr” to 59248

Message & data rates apply. Text STOP to opt out or HELP for help.

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