



Sugarwood News

APRIL, 2010



Finally!!! Spring has arrived and along with the rains we're seeing some sunshine!

With Springtime comes lawn care, gardening, exterior home improvement and other outdoor projects that will begin the influx of work crews from outside our neighborhood. Even good companies are sometimes unfortunate enough to hire an unscrupulous laborer or two. With this in mind, remember to protect your property by keeping your vehicles and homes locked.

Regarding lawn mowing (whether done by yourself or an outside service), please make sure that any grass clippings that end up on the street are blown back into your yard or are swept up and bagged. Aside from being unsightly, grass clippings and other debris left on our streets end up in our sewer drains causing potential drainage problems when it rains.

SWIM TEAM REGISTRATION

April 24 and May 8 - 9 'til Noon at the Pool Pavilion

Looking for something for the kids to do this summer? New to the neighborhood? The Sugarwood Stingrays provide a positive, healthy, and *FUN* opportunity for all kids between 5 and 18 to meet new friends, challenge themselves, and be a part of a great swim team. No experience is required; you don't have to know all the strokes. If you can swim, you can swim for the Stingrays.

Our neighborhood swim team since 1999, the 'Rays practice daily under the capable leadership of Coach Stephanie Livers, former UT swimmer, record holder, MVP, and state champion. Coach Livers challenges and encourages every swimmer, right down to the littlest Stingray.

The swimmers work hard, and they play just as hard. Every Friday is "Fun Friday" which includes games and snacks. And every meet ends at Sonic where families spend time unwinding, congratulating, and encouraging the swimmers.

Prospective swimmers are encouraged to attend registration either April 24 or May 8. You can meet the coach, meet other swimmers, and get answers to any questions you may have. Our website – www.sugarwoodstingrays.org – is a great source of information about all things Red and Black (team colors), and look for us on Facebook.

It's gonna be a GREAT summer!



Neighborhood Directory Update

The SHA Neighborhood Directory is in the final stages of publication. If you have any changes from the 2008-2009 Directory, please contact Sue Conway at 966-1736 no later than April 12. Thanks!

SHA Easter Egg Hunt



Accompanied by beautiful weather, the SHA Annual Easter Egg Hunt was held on March 27, 2010 at the Recreation Area. Over 50 children had a wonderful time meeting the Easter Bunny and searching for more than 1,000 candy-filled eggs and prizes. Cupcakes and drinks topped off the afternoon festivities.

Many thanks to Betsy Sparks, T.C. Williams, and Bruce Mason for hosting the event, and a special thank you to T.C.'s granddaughter, Georgia Narayan, for being our Bunny this year.

Book Club



On Tuesday, April 13 at 7:30 p.m., Susan Vanacore, 604 Carriage Station Lane (966-8533). (Kingston Pike to Old Stage Road, turn Left. Take the 3rd left onto McFee Road. Turn right at Providence Glen Lane. Take the 1st right onto Carriage Station Lane. Destination will be on the right.), will host the Book Club's discussion of ***The Help*** by Kathryn Stockett.

"Be prepared to meet three unforgettable women:

Twenty-two-year-old Skeeter has just returned home after graduating from Ole Miss. She may have a degree, but it is 1962, Mississippi, and her mother will not be happy till Skeeter has a ring on her finger. Skeeter would normally find solace with her beloved maid Constantine, the woman who raised her, but Constantine has disappeared and no one will tell Skeeter where she has gone.

Aibileen is a black maid, a wise, regal woman raising her seventeenth white child. Something has shifted inside her after the loss of her own son, who died while his bosses looked the other way. She is devoted to the little girl she looks after, though she knows both their hearts may be broken.

Minnie, Aibileen's best friend, is short, fat, and perhaps the sassiest woman in Mississippi. She can cook like nobody's business, but she can't mind her tongue, so she's lost yet another job. Minny finally finds a position working for someone too new to town to know her reputation. But her new boss has secrets of her own.

Seemingly as different from one another as can be, these women will nonetheless come together for a clandestine project that will put them all at risk. And why? Because they are suffocating within the lines that define their town and their times. And sometimes lines are made to be crossed." (from the publisher)



May's Book Club will be held at 7:30 p.m. on May 11 at the home of Sue Conway, 305 Bigtree Drive (966-1736), and will feature Julie Klassen's ***The Apothecary's Daughter***.

"As Lilly toils in her father's apothecary shop, preparing herbs and remedies by rote, she is haunted by memories of her mother's disappearance. Villagers whisper the tale, but her father refuses to discuss it. All the while, she dreams of the world beyond - of travel and adventure and romance.

When a relative offers to host her in London, Lilly discovers the pleasures and pitfalls of fashionable society and suitors, as well as clues about her mother. But will Lilly find what she is searching for - the truth of the past and a love for the future?

Blending romance, family drama, and fascinating historical detail, ***The Apothecary's Daughter*** is a novel to savor and share." (from the book jacket)

**HELP
WANTED!**

\$\$\$ PAID OPPORTUNITIES:

SHA is looking to fill positions for the upcoming summer season. Positions include a pool manager and lifeguards. We are looking for mature and responsible individuals who will perform their duties with minimal supervisor oversight. If you are interested in applying for any one of these positions, go to the association website www.sugarwood.org and apply TODAY!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED...

The Board is looking for someone to Chair the *Beautification Committee* as well as volunteers who have some free time and creative ideas for the front entrance. Please contact Ron Williams at 966-0214 if you are interested.

ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITY

2010 – 2011 SHA Directory

interested in placing an ad in the upcoming 2010 – 2011 SHA Directory? If so, please contact Sue Conway at 966-1736. Prices are as follows: Full Page (\$100), Half Page (\$50), and Business Card Size (\$33) and are payable with your order and artwork. Space is limited and will be accepted on a *first come, first serve* basis so as not to duplicate existing participants.

NEWSLETTER HELP NEEDED

Still looking for neighborhood input to help generate new and interesting content for the Newsletter. If you have a group (i.e., Bridge) you'd like to promote, school activities or honors you'd like to see included, ideas for monthly columns, etc., please email them to bkhmp50@gmail.com before the 20th of each month. The goal for publishing the Newsletter is to have it out by the first of each month (haven't mastered that yet, but working on it).

Sugarwood Coffee



April's Coffee will be held on Thursday, April 22 at the Campbell Station Road Cracker

Barrel from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. All residents are invited to attend.

NEIGHBORHOOD GARAGE SALE

Don't forget to mark your calendars for the Spring Garage Sale to be held on Saturday, May 15, 2010 .



Highlights from the March 15, 2010 Board Meeting

SHA Membership Fees: As of March 15th, 87 have paid for 2010.

Financial Report as of March 15th are as follows:

Total Checking & Reserves: \$77,629.96

Architectural/Planning Committee: One in the process.

Seasonal/Beautification: Looking for a committee chair and volunteers.

Recreational/Social: Upcoming Easter Egg Hunt scheduled for Saturday, March 27th at 4 p.m.

Sugarwood Stingray Swim Team: Obtained a signed agreement from the Sugarwood Stingrays. Board to verify location and date (April 6) for Stingray registration sign up. Members can review the 2010 Agreement between the SHA and the Stingrays on the SHA web site.

Recreation: Still need to tie down wind breaker for tennis courts.

Traffic Calming: Board to verify with John Frazier on recommendation of members to this committee.

Street Lights: No action to be taken at this time. Increased lighting to be done, if necessary, with future light repairs.

Front Entrance Repairs: Sprinkler work to be done. Repair of sign pending good weather.

Swimming Pool – Repairs: Scheduled – pending good weather.

Pool Deck Coating: Schedule to be coordinated with Sequoyah's scheduling.

Curb Markings: Pending good weather.

Surveillance/Security for Pool Area: To be installed prior to opening of the pool.

2010-2011 SHA Directory: Solicitation for ads is currently being done.

Swim Lessons: Board approved making swim lessons available with the condition that qualified individuals review and agree to a Memorandum of Understanding which will outline the requirements for teaching swim lessons. In addition individuals interested must be a lifeguard staff, pool manager, or any other adult employed by SHA. Fees for swim lessons to be remitted to SHA.

Pool Staffing: Currently seeking qualified individuals for lifeguards and a pool manager. Interested parties can obtain an application from the SHA website. Ads to be run in the newspaper and online.

Recreational Facility Usage: Board approved a revised Recreational Facility Usage Policy for Non-Resident Application to include immediate household members up to 5 at the annual fee of \$325.00; greater than 5 household members will cost an additional \$30 per person.

Upcoming Events:

May 15 Spring Garage Sale @ 8 am to 12 noon

**To review the complete minutes of the above meetings, please visit the SHA website:
www.sugarwood.org**

SUGARWOOD BOARD OF DIRECTORS - 2010

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April 2010

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| 4 Easter  | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 Book Club 7:30 p.m. | 14 | 15 Taxes Due  | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 Sugarwood Coffee - 9-11 | 23 | 24 Swim Team Registration - 9-Noon  |
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