Canyon Gate at Cinco Ranch

July 2010

Office Hours

Monday	8:15 to 4:00
Tuesday	8:15 to 4:00
Wednesday	**Closed**
Thursday	8:15 to 4:00
Friday	8:15 to 4:00

Closed Saturday

Voicemail is available. Calls will be returned during scheduled office hours.

The office will be closed Friday, July 9th through Friday, July 16th. Normal hours will resume Monday, July 19th.

Important Information

Trash

We would like to mention, once again, that we are finding a great deal of trash in the common areas of the community, and especially the Recreation Center area. It is shameful that many who live in the community think nothing of emptying the trash from their vehicle into the parking lot (or simply out the window of their vehicle while driving). There are trash cans in the recreational areas of the community - there is no reason for those who utilize these areas not to walk an extra step and put their trash in a receptacle.

Animal Waste in Common Areas

We are having a serious issue in the community with those who allow their pets to defecate on common area (or someone's lawn) without picking up afterwards. Please do NOT walk your pet without a bag to pick up after it. This is something that needs to be policed by all residents in the community - so if you see someone just walking away after their dog has done their business, please say something. If everyone pitches in, people may eventually be shamed into picking up.

Summer 2010 Pool Schedule

The board has contracted with Aquatic Management of Houston to manage the pool for the 2010 season.

June 4- August 22

Mon	Closed
Tue-Sat	10 am – 9 pm
Sun	1 pm - 9 pm

August 23 – September 6

Mon- Fri	Closed
Sat	10 am - 9 pm
Sun	1 pm –9 pm
Labor Day (Sept. 6)	10 am - 9 pm

The pool is closed for cleaning on **Mondays. However, if a holiday falls on a Monday, the pool will be open on the holiday and cleaning will be scheduled for the Tuesday following.**

Miscellaneous

Please be sure the office has an up to date telephone number for you. The guards will not allow visitors in between the hours of 11 pm and 6 am unless they can reach the resident to confirm. Please do not give new or corrected contact information to the security officers - changes must be made through the office. In reviewing our listing, there are over 90 homes for which we have no contact number.

Remember that we live in a community where houses are located fairly close to one another. What we do affects our neighbor, be it loud fireworks or music, mowing the yard at 7:00 on weekend mornings, or parking on the street (making it difficult to get in and out of the driveway).

Snakes

We have been seeing more snakes in the community this year than usual. To many, the first instinct may be to kill the snake, but the majority that we see are non-venomous Rat or King snakes - both of which are quite beneficial and actually eat rodents and some poisonous snakes. While there are dangerous snakes in the area, the best defense if you see a snake is to simply leave it alone - it doesn't want to be around people.

Measures you can take to keep snakes away include the following:

Get rid of cover and hiding areas to keep snakes away (removing or reducing the areas that snakes are found forces a snakes to seek a different place to hunt and rest). Some of those areas include:

- Tall grass
- Boards, logs, sheet metal, etc that they can crawl under
- Brush and shrubs
- Eliminate debris such as wood or rock piles on the property.
- Cut down heavy brush or trim back hedges.
- Seal small gaps under doors or decks, etc.

You also want to take care to eliminate their access to other areas they might find appealing such as under your deck or under your home's foundation. A snake basically has three very simple functions. It hunts, eats, and it rests. It repeats that cycle throughout the entire course of its life. By taking away the things mentioned above you severely impact the snake's ability to rest which is the most important of all the things it does

Bunco

Interested in playing Bunco with other ladies in our subdivision? It's tentatively planned for Wed nights, 7-10 p.m., once a month, with you hosting it at your house once a year. As soon as we have 12 ladies signed up, then we will have a meeting to decide on food/snacks, etc. If you aren't able to commit to this each month, please consider signing up to substitute for us. It's fun and easy! If you know how to roll dice, then you know most of the rules already! Email cdkushner@sbcglobal.net if you want to play!

Park Info

There have been some changes made to the fee structure for team usage.

Fees will be calculated on a weekly period based on the number of weeks for the team's season.

1 Day/Week ($10.50/wk)

2 Day/Week ($12.50/wk)

3 Day/Wk ($15/week)

(i.e. 2 day per week use/12-week season =$150).

TO MAKE RESERVATIONS: Each resident who wishes to reserve one of the fields must contact the office at (281) 492-6020 to check availability (email phardilek@ccbpropertymanagement.com). No scheduling will occur until the contract and fees have been submitted– NO EXCEPTIONS. Fields can not be reserved more than six-months in advance. Checks, cash, and Visa/Mastercard are accepted. Please make checks payable to Canyon Gate HOA.

Recreation Center Rental

The recreation center has a room available for parties, meeting, reunions, etc. A signed contract plus a $300 security deposit will hold your reservation. **Homeowners must be current on their dues (or payment plans) and rental fees must be received prior to the party.** The rental rate is $35 an hour with a two-hour minimum. The key for the clubhouse is to be signed out and returned to the guards in the guardhouse. Please READ THE CONTRACT CAREFULLY before signing – this is a binding legal document and the rules and regulations stipulated in the contract will be enforced. Call the onsite office for additional information.

Remember to bring your trash home with you after a party – the clubhouse trash cans are being filled to overflowing regularly. Fines will start being assessed if the rec center trash cans are filled up with party debris.

Important Numbers

Onsite Office	281-492-6020
Canyon Gate Guardhouse	281-646-7906
CCB Property Management	281-793-8938
WCA	281-368-8397
Reliant Energy	713-207-7777
Cinco Mud #8	281-579-4500
Centerpoint Energy (gas)	713-659-2111

To report a street light outage, go to:
http://www.centerpointenergy.com/outage

You will need the number off the pole as well as the address/intersection

Board Members

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