

Stonegate Sentinel

Vol. XXIX, No.2

Our Neighborhood Newsletter

May 2022

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Doug Handlin

Hello again to all of my Stonegate Hill Community neighbors and friends!

A big THANK YOU to all of you volunteers that arrived to help out with the Bunny Hop! It was a HUGE success! You made it possible for our community families to celebrate a special day of the year!

The semi-annual Garage Sale is coming up next month, June 4th and 5th! It's a great time to clean out the closets, garages, storage sheds, under the beds, behind the doors, etc.

Then on July 4th we celebrate Independence Day! A great day to express yourselves artistically, and Patriotically for this great nation in which we live!

In the meantime, Julie Xia has organized our neighborhood Swim Team, Storm! We're looking forward to a successful season of competition in 2022! Go Team Storm!!!!!!

The Board of Directors are earnestly working on some improvements that I think you will appreciate. We would be glad to hear from you either at stonegatehill@gmail.com or our personal emails as indicated here in the newsletter.

Thank you for all you do to keep our neighborhood family friendly. It's an honor and a privilege to be able to serve on the Board and I want to thank all the Board of Director members for all the work you do to keep our infrastructure running so smoothly.

Have a great summer!

WELCOME

Dennis & Cynthia Ascencio
Hunter & Rachel Pavela

FAREWELL

Robert Blankenship
Raul and Patsy Hinojosa
John and Heidi Pettit
Debora Ruhlman
Joe and Delores Solomon

GARAGE SALE

The spring garage sale is scheduled for Saturday June 4th & Sunday June 5th.

SWIM TEAM

Swim team practice started on Monday May 12th. We will be in the pool area using four lanes and leaving two lanes open to residents (closest to the stairs). As for our swim meet schedule, we will be hosting on Saturday May 28th from 7 am – 12 pm and Saturday June 18th from 7 am – 12 pm. During these times, the pool will be CLOSED to residents as we complete our swim

meet. Thank you for your patience as we transition back into in-person competition after a 2-year break! GO STORM!

GRADUATIONS

Nicholas Tauscher will graduate from Warren High School. In the fall he will be attending Northwest Vista College and will be majoring in Information Technology and Networking.

Cooper McDaniel will also be graduating from Warren High School. He will be going to Northwest Vista to study Digital Media/Marketing.

POOL AND RECREATION RULES

The updated Pool and Recreation Rules were published in February, sent out via email, and posted on the Stonegate Hill website. Please remember residents must accompany any guests to the pool, park, or basketball/tennis courts and only 4 guests are allowed. Pool or park parties must be booked two weeks in advance.

HOME CELEBRATIONS

Spring is here and people are waiting to get together to celebrate various occasions. Family get-togethers and inviting close friends is an American tradition especially lighting up the barbeque pit.

Stonegate Sentinel

Vol. XXIX, No.2

Our Neighborhood Newsletter

May 2022

While it is great to finally be able to host get-togethers and parties, it is important to keep in mind a few simple rules and courtesies. First and foremost, everyone enjoys music! However, the assumption that music can be played loud until 10 pm is a false assumption.

City of San Antonio Ordinance Section 21-52 Noise Nuisance Enumeration states music and other noise can be loud as long as it does not disturb the peace of the neighborhood. The time of day is not a consideration. Complaints regarding loud noise should be directed to the SAPD, not the

Be respectful of your neighbors and ensure your guests do not go trampling through their yards or toss cans, bottles, or trash on their property.

Celebrations are great and a part of the Great American way of life. Be courteous and respectful and everyone will be happy.

OTHER REMINDERS

Watering: The San Antonio Water System has put Stage 2 Water Restrictions in effect. Landscape watering with an irrigation system or sprinkler is allowed only once a week between 7 am and 11 am and 7 pm and 11 pm on your designated watering day. Watering day is determined by last digit of address: Monday 0/1, Tuesday 2/3, Wednesday 4/5, Thursday 6/7, and

Friday 8/9. No watering is allowed on weekends.

Street Parking: The Stonegate Hill covenants Article 5.23 states on street parking, except by visitors, is prohibited. Please keep Stonegate Hill safe by parking household vehicles in the driveway. Doing so allows clear streets for emergency vehicles and provides a safer environment, especially for children crossing the streets and adults walking for exercise.

Automatic Payment of Dues: As a reminder, homeowner dues increased on January 1st. If you haven't updated your quarterly automatic payment to \$199.50, you'll receive a late fee of \$20. And, for every month there is a balance on your account (including late fees), you'll be charged additional late fees and interest.

GOOGLE FIBER

Google Fiber is finally coming to Stonegate Hill. Installation is currently planned for June 7th. The Board is meeting with Google Fiber to discuss the details next week. See page 6 for more information.

NEW GATE CODES

New gate codes are in effect.

Old gate codes will be removed Tuesday May 31.

Temporary gate codes are available for homeowner events or realtor open house events.

Reminder: Gate codes change quarterly and will be announced in each newsletter. Gate openers do not have to be reprogrammed when the gate code changes.

HOA Committee Chairpersons

Activities:	Susan Handlin
ACC:	Bill Manchester
Newsletter:	Volunteer Needed
Pet Registry	Kathy Davis
Swim Team:	Julie Xia
Webmaster:	Virginia Guevara
Welcome:	Patty Meredith

Stonegate Hill Website:

www.stonegatehill.com

Email address:

stonegatehill@gmail.com

Stonegate Hill HOA

Spectrum Assn Management

17319 San Pedro Suite 318

San Antonio, TX 78232

Hours: M-F 9 am to 5 pm

Phone: 210-494-0659

Fax: 210-494-0887

For Maintenance Emergencies

Call 210-494-0659 or

Email:

contact@spectrumam.com

Website:

www.spectrumam.com

Stonegate Sentinel

Vol. XXIX, No.2

Our Neighborhood Newsletter

May 2022

STONEGATE HILL HOA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President

Doug Handlin 406-670-7501
doughandlin53@hotmail.com

Vice President

Jim Eckburg 210-256-6610
bpcr4477@att.net

Treasurer

Carol Sullivan 210-685-7501
casullivan1984@gmail.com

Secretary

Joan Lopez 210-684-2753
rllopez1@earthlink.net

Nominating Committee

Mike Tavitas 210-324-8432
su-mike@sbcglobal.net

DATES OF INTEREST

Flag Days: Days to Display the US Flag

Mother's Day.....May 8
Armed Forces Day.....May 21
Memorial DayMay 30
Flag Day June 14
Father's Day June 19

School Holidays:

Memorial Day.... May 30

Last Day of School June 2

ACC REQUESTS

Bill Manchester

Almost everyone has a project in mind to improve our home and make it a little better, a project to enable mobility or landscaping project. When you are ready to start a project, homeowners are required to submit an Architecture Control Committee (ACC) request prior to the start of any work. Requests are submitted to our Association

Management Company, Spectrum Association Management. URL address is:

<https://spectrumam.com/texas/san-antonio-hoa-management/>

You must have an account with Spectrum to access their website.

Listed below are the standard ACC Request Documents that homeowner should provide:

1. ACC Request form
 2. Copy of the plat map/survey map and drawn on it the location of the proposed home improvement project – Survey map will show the setback and easement lines, when the homeowner draws the location of the proposed location, it will help the ACC to see if the project will encroach easement or setback.
 3. Color sample of the proposed project – fence stain, exterior stain, roof color, stone/brick color, etc.
 4. Dimension of the proposed project.
 5. Work order or estimate from the contractor – if applicable
- Submitting a request is a two-step procedure through Spectrum. Once in the web site, a brief description of the project is requested. This will be followed by an email from Spectrum requesting the previously mentioned items. Once Spectrum receives all the applicable paperwork, it is turned over to the Stonegate Hill ACC Committee who reviews the request to ensure the values and standards of our community are met.

Unfortunately, we sometimes have neighbors who proceed with a project without submitting a request that may have easily been approved. Proceeding with a project may impose a fine due to non-compliance. Please take the necessary time and steps to submit your request and once approved, proceed forward with your project. Thanks, your Stonegate Hill ACC Committee

SAFFE OFFICER

Our neighborhood SAFFE (San Antonio Fear Free Environment) Officer:

Officer Justin Hatcher
7000 Culebra Road
Office 210-207-0807
Cell 210-414-2853

justin.hatcher@sanantonio.gov

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

Stonegate Hill Board of Directors meetings will be held the second Monday of each month. Meetings will be from 6 to 8 p.m. via Zoom call or at location to be announced prior to the meeting.

The dates are posted on the SGH website (www.stonegatehill.com)

Guidelines for these meetings can be found on the Stonegate Hill website under HOA Documents.

Stonegate Sentinel

Vol. XXIX, No.2

Our Neighborhood Newsletter

May 2022

PAYMENT OF HOMEOWNER DUES

Second Quarter Assessments (April - June 2022) of \$199.50 were due **April 1st** and were past due on **April 30**.

Reminder: Third Quarter Assessments (\$199.50) (July - September 2022) will be due on July 1st.

Payment may be done online. Go to www.spectruman.com and log in to your homeowner account.

Payment can be made either by credit card or echeck/ACH. There will be a 3.5% fee for credit card payments or \$1.99 for echeck/ACH payment.

Checks or money orders may be mailed to Spectrum Association Management, P. O. Box 299008 Lewisville TX 75029. Be sure to put your account number on the check. There is no service fee.

NOTE: Spectrum Association Management accepts checks, money orders, cashier's checks or credit cards when conducting business at their office. **No service fees are assessed if paid by check or money order/cashier's check.**

MICROSOFT UPDATE

The Microsoft Construction Company has begun the underground utility installation

phase. Depending upon weather conditions this phase will last approximately 15 weeks. Continue to be cautious when exiting and entering the neighborhood to avoid dump trucks and other vehicles delivering supplies to the construction area.

IN THE WORKS FOR 2022

Here are some things the Board is working on that may be of interest to you:

- Replacing burned out light in the pool
- Researching adding an awning over the baby pool
- Replacing tennis court net
- Pool card re-certification
- Repairing cracks on pool apron and tiles
- Sealing of roads in Phase I

VEHICLE DECALS

Jim Eckburg

You'd have to live under a rock without a TV, wi-fi, android, iPhone, flip phone, or even two soup cans tied together with a string to be unaware of the increasing risks that we face daily. Some are small and yet very significant, such as running out of infant formula or medication refills. These require planning and vigilance on our part to not to get caught short.

Another small risk we face, that is practically effortless to solve, is not being able to identify the vehicles of

the homeowners and renters of everyone living here in Stonegate Hill. Placing a small vehicle decal in the lower right-hand corner of your rear window easily identifies your vehicle as someone who belongs in here, especially after dark; when some vandalism and theft has occurred. Our exit gate cameras can read license plates. Seeing the reflection of our SGH vehicle decal helps us and the police eliminate those vehicles from initial consideration. The decals have also helped us identify uninvited visitors using our athletic courts.

If you do not have a SGH vehicle decal you may contact any one of your SGH Board members to get one. Additionally, I will be at the swim team's meets on 28 May and 18 June where I'll have plenty of decals to pass out. All we need from you is your name; address; phone number; vehicle make, model, color, and license plate number. This is a voluntary program, but the more participants the better. Community safety is something we all share in preserving and enjoying.

WEBSITE

Check the neighborhood website, www.stonegatehill.com, to find updated info on what is going on in the neighborhood.

Please refer to the website in between publications of the *Stonegate Sentinel* to see what is happening.

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

The Stonegate Sentinel is published four times per year, in February, May, August and November. Residents are encouraged to provide input for the *Stonegate Sentinel*.

Please provide articles for the August 2022 newsletter via email to stonegatehill@gmail.com. Articles or ads received after July 25th may not make it into the newsletter. Please put SGH Newsletter in the title of emails.

Newsletter articles should be of interest to a majority of residents. Ads for services by residents under the age of 18 (lawn mowing, babysitting, etc.) may be submitted at no cost. Service ads by residents over 18 will be charged a fee of \$5, \$15, or \$30 per issue, depending on the size and whether it is personal or commercial business. **Money must be received before the ad will be included in the newsletter.**

Get better internet for you and your residents.

Google Fiber gigabit internet means whole home Wi-Fi and up to 10x faster downloads and 86x faster uploads than cable internet* for your property. But it also means making things way easier on you and your residents, too.

Here's what that looks like:



One straightforward price.

\$70/mo for Google Fiber gigabit internet.**



No annual contracts.

Cancel any time.



No data caps

Your data should be unlimited. So it is.



No hidden fees. No, really.

No need to buy any extra equipment. Router? Check. Wi-Fi? Check. You're all set.



Wi-Fi that covers your whole home.

That means corner-to-corner Wi-Fi coverage with the help of Google Wifi. No equipment fees. Just a steady, strong connection for you and all your devices.



Easy installation.

Get your internet self-installed in no time or installed by a pro. No installation fees included.



Watch TV and save money.

The average household can save \$600-\$1200 when they cut out cable and switch to streaming over gigabit internet.¹



24/7 customer service.

Our customers voted us PCMag's Best Internet Service Provider for Customer Service (plus a few more things).

© 2020 Google Fiber Inc. *Speed claim based on the FCC's December 14, 2018 Measuring Broadband America report, using the US weighted median speed experienced with cable of 97 Mbps for download and 11 Mbps for upload. **Plus applicable taxes and fees. 1: Source: Leichtman Research Group, 11/15/19, based on the average monthly spending on Pay TV of \$109.50 per month, compared to streaming service prices of \$0 - \$50 per month. New customers with eligible plans may receive up to two Google Wifi points. Home size, materials, and layout can affect how the Wi-Fi signal travels. Larger homes or homes with thicker walls or long, narrow layouts may need extra Wifi points for full coverage.

