



The Georgetowner

A monthly Georgetown Community Services Association
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CSA Website:

www.georgetowncsa.com

May Calendar of Events

May 1	12:00	Southside Pools Open
May 1	7:30	ARB Meeting (SS)
May 4	9:30	Social (SS)
May 4	10:00	Knitting Group (SS)
May 5	8:00	Community Yard Sale (SS)
May 8	7:45	BOD Meeting (SS)
May 15	6:30	Village Green Watch (NS)
May 15	7:30	ARB Meeting (SS)
May 28		Office Closed--Holiday

Banquet Rooms Available for Rent

As a reminder, the Association has two nice banquet rooms available for weekend rental. Rentals are available from 5:00 p.m. – 10:00 on Fridays, and from 8:00 a.m. -10:00 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Pricing information and a copy of the contract can be obtained at the office or at our web site: www.georgetowncsa.com.

Payment of Assessments

Even though the Association mails out statements on a quarterly basis, members are still responsible for at least making the standard monthly incremental assessment payments due in advance on the first of each month. Accounts more than 60 days in arrears will have the rest of the year's assessments added at that point. Once the rest of the year's assessment has been applied, partial payments will not cause it to be removed. Please ensure that payments cite the address of the property you are paying for. Thank you.

2012 Summerfest

On Saturday, June 9th, the Association will be hosting the annual Summerfest at the Southside Clubhouse from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The event is open (and free) to members/residents of our Association. There will be a number of amusements for the kids, including bounce-rooms, slides, and a dunk tank. We will also be serving hot dogs, hamburgers, sodas, cotton candy and snow cones for all. Please mark your calendar and make plans to attend.

Basketball Court Repairs

As previously reported, the Association is in the process of replacing the concrete slab due to significant cracks. The new concrete should be in place by the end of April and we will have to wait 30 days thereafter for the concrete to cure before we can apply the surface coating and striping. We will allow court play during the curing process but will have to close it for a few days in late May to apply to the surface coating.

Cormorant Lagoon Fencing

In response to neighborhood requests, the Board considered and approved the construction of a privacy fence along the south border of the lagoon at the eastern end of Cormorant Way. The project was awarded to JDH Decks and Fences and the work should be completed in early May.

Lagoon Maintenance

In March, Coastal Constructive Innovations, LLC and their subcontracted surveyors and engineers began the initial phases of maintenance on the lagoon between West White Hawthorne Drive, Avocet Way, and Red Fox Drive. This project will serve as a prototype for future lagoon dredging operations and is broken into three parts: (1) initial surveying to map the area and determine depths and contours of the lagoon; (2) production of an operational manual and other plans to assist with permit processing, contract solicitation, and contractor oversight; and (3) final surveying to determine the results of dredging. The initial surveying was completed in April. Engineering plans and bidding for the actual dredging will occur in May and June. Actual dredging will occur later this year once appropriate permits have been obtained. For more information on this project, please see the February 2012 newsletter on our web site, or call the General Manager at (912) 925-2861.



Pet Waste Pick-up

As a reminder, Chatham County Ordinances require dog owners to have a leash on their pet when located outside the confines of their house or fenced yard. The ordinances also require owners to both carry and utilize equipment (such as plastic bags) to pick up after their pets do their "business."

Yard Waste Pick-up

Please help keep the neighborhoods looking nice (and enhance property values) by keeping the leaves and pine straw picked up. Chatham County Public Works Department picks up yard waste curb-side every Monday. Clippings, leaves, and/or straw must be put in reusable containers or in paper bags (available at hardware stores). Cut up limbs and brush may be placed neatly at the curb for pick-up. The use of plastic bags is not authorized. Yard waste may not be placed curb-side earlier than 6 p.m. on Sunday evenings.

Parent/Child Playdate Cancelled

The monthly Parent/Children Playdate normally scheduled for the first Thursday of each month has been cancelled until further notice due to lack of attendees and a volunteer coordinator.

Monthly Payment E-mail Reminders

If you would like to receive a monthly e-mail reminding you that the monthly assessment is due, please let us know via e-mail. Our address is: georgetown1234@bellsouth.net.



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Mission Statement

To preserve and enhance property values and amenities by maintaining common property, collecting and disbursing assessments, promoting safety and welfare of residents, and enforcing governing documents.

Vision Statement

To become a world-class Homeowners Association that is characterized by wise resource management, proactive problem resolution, and top-notch member service.

Core Values

We are member oriented.
We are committed to excellence.
People are our most importance resource.
We work as a team and advocate teamwork.

President's Corner

On April 12th, Board member Barbara Rubin and I attended a Town Hall meeting with members of the West Chatham Precinct. We were introduced to the new Precinct Captain and received updated statistics on crime in the Georgetown area. There were 16 incidents in the greater Georgetown area in the first quarter of 2012. In March, there was one street robbery on the southside of King George Boulevard, along with 4 residential burglaries, one commercial burglary, one shoplifting, seven thefts from vehicle, and two thefts from yards/buildings. Participants were again reminded to lock cars. Cpl. Snyder recommended spraying fluorescent paint on the coils of air conditioning units. This will help the Police identify stolen copper scrap at scrap yards. A CNT agent was at the meeting and stated that any resident that suspects drug activity can call 652-3900 anonymously, or even Crimestoppers, 234-2020, again no names needed.

Community Yard Sale

On Saturday, May 5th, the Association will be sponsoring a community yard sale at the Southside Clubhouse parking lot. Set-up will be allowed between 6:30-7:45 a.m. with the event being open to the public from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Sales Participation is free, but members and residents who wish to be a seller must register in person at the office. We will have 26 stalls with one 2x8 table available on a first-come basis. There is a limit of one stall per family. Parking will be allowed on the right-hand, south-bound lane of King George Boulevard between the LDS Church and Red Fox Drive. All unsold merchandise and trash must be removed no later than 12:30 p.m. For safety and legal reasons, no food, drugs/medications, weapons, ammunition, or hazardous chemicals/materials can be brought on site and sold, bartered or otherwise distributed.

Neighborhood Network Socials

The next Neighborhood Network Social will be held at the Southside Clubhouse on Friday, May 4th at 9:30 a.m. This social will last an hour and refreshments will be provided. Our first Knitting Group session will begin after coffee that morning. Our Thursday Walking Group will begin weekly sessions on May 3rd at 10:00 a.m. at the Southside Clubhouse. The Coordinator for these socials is Mrs. Julie Hansil who can be contacted by calling (912) 224-0201 or by e-mail at juliehansil@gmail.com.

Elections and Annual Meeting

The GCSA Annual Meeting will be held on June 12th. If you wish to run for a seat on the Board, please obtain a Candidacy Packet at the Southside Clubhouse or at our web site and turn in the required documents (petition and biography) by April 27th. Ballots and Proxy forms for the Meeting will be mailed out on May 7th and are due back by June 11th. The five candidates receiving the most votes will be seated at the Annual Meeting on Tuesday, June 12, 2011. Candidates should plan to be present for that meeting.

2012 Pool Season

The Southside pool complex will open from 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m. daily beginning May 1st. On June 1st, both the Southside and Northside pools will be open seven days a week from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Pool Registration Cards are available at the Southside Office and at the pool gates during pool season. Cards must be completed and turned in by an authorized adult (GCSA Homeowner or Renter) prior to being granted pool access. If your child does not have some sort of picture ID, please provide a small recent picture along with your card and we will attach it to the back. As a reminder, amenity payments must be current in order to receive a Registration Card. Guest policy remains at a limit of 6 guests per season, and only adults may sign in a guest. Our pools will be operated under a "swim at your own risk" policy. Since no lifeguards will be on duty, parents/adults will have to take full responsibility for conduct and safety in and around the pools. Georgia law requires that children 14 years and younger be accompanied by an adult (21 and over).

CSA Board Members

Richard Lindsey (President)
Kenneth Corder (VP)
Warren Smith (Sec/Treasurer)
Robin Byers
Robert Smith
Butch Braddy
Renee Rabbitt
Barbara Rubin
John Thompson



Architectural Review Board Members

Robert Smith
Warren Smith
Renee Rabbitt
Robin Byers
Michael Carman
Mike Yardman (coordinator)

Note: If you are interested in joining the Architectural Review Board, please contact the office at 912-925-2861.

ARB Violation Summary For April

Total new violations	477	YTD	955
Total violations repaired	388	YTD	897
Hang Tags issued	78	YTD	199
Letters mailed	394	YTD	826
Issues referred to GM or attorney	67	YTD	191