

August



Summer Fun!

AUGUST 2018

THE TOWN CRIER

COLONIAL SQUARE HOMES

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Happy Birthday to members born in August!			1 Carrying Charges due	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9 Board Meeting @ 7pm	10	11 Late fees applied
12	13	14 Exterminations 2148-2186	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 Attorney Referrals	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

BOARD MEMBERS

Leslie LaMarche—President

Debra Capps—1st Vice President

Judy Allister—2nd Vice President

Kathy Pestock—Treasurer

Clyde Whitney—Secretary

OFFICE STAFF

Crystal Keeton—On-site Manager

Robin Betzel—Office Assistant

Clifford Abel—Maint. Superintendent

Wes Harness—Asst. Maint. Super.

Wayne Morrison—Maint. Tech.

Jerry Burch—Maint. Tech.

Alex Terrell—Maint. Tech.

Nasraldin Hamaamin—Groundskeeper

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MAINTENANCE EMERGENCY: 913-894-3549

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Colonial Square Homes, Inc.

July 12, 2018

Board Meeting

NEWSLETTER MINUTES

Board members present: Leslie LaMarche, president; Debra Capps, first vice president; Judy Allister, second vice president; Clyde Whitney, treasurer; and Kathy Pestock, treasurer

Staff present: Crystal Keeton, office manager, and Cliff Abel, maintenance superintendent

Also attending: Connie Mayer and Mike Lauer, regional managers with Tailor Made Property Services, Inc., and Dudley Leonard, cooperative attorney

The board convened at 5:30 p.m.

The board voted to open voting for the annual meeting on the first day of June and to keep it open through the day of the annual meeting. Resumes will be due on May 15 to be published in the newsletter and for members' names to appear on the ballot. If May 15 falls on Saturday or Sunday, the deadline will move to Monday.

Open Session

Attending the open session were Cindy Whitney, Rene Love, Kathleen Morrison, Amy Ingala and Stephanie Miles. Jason McGinness of Metro Public Safety joined the meeting.

Leslie welcomed them and all present observed a moment of silence.

Crystal presented the pet report. There was one pet violation.

Cliff presented the House and Grounds report.

For May in A Tract, 14 yards were tagged and nine complied. In B Tract, eight were tagged and five have complied. In A Tract, one vehicle was tagged and in B Tract, two vehicles.

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Vacation Notice



If you are planning to be gone for a few days and would like the maintenance staff to check on your unit please complete this form and turn it in to the office. This is highly recommended in case of gas, water leaks or burst water lines.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Time frame of vacation: Leaving _____

Returning _____

Emergency Contact: Name: _____

Phone: _____

Number you can be reached at (if applicable): _____

Your cell phone number (if applicable): _____

Will you have someone checking on the unit while you are gone? If so, please provide the following:

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Safety Tips

- Think Twice Before You Throw it in the Trash!
- If a thief gets a hold of any of your personal information and attempts to steal your identity, you could be in huge trouble.
- This sort of information is a gold-mine for identity thieves.
- Rummaging through the trash has yielded sensitive information such as:
 - Social security numbers
 - Credit card information
 - Copies of drivers licenses and passports
 - Copies of travel documentation
 - Credit applications
 - Phone numbers Full names and addresses
 - And a whole lot more.
- If you think about it, by not being more careful about what you're throwing away, you're essentially handing your identity and very valuable information to thieves on a silver platter.
- For all these reasons, you should always think twice about what you're throwing away. Ask yourself a series of questions such as: Does this paper contain any information which is sensitive, personal, or confidential?
 - Can this information be used against me?
 - Another age old saying goes: it's better to be safe than sorry. Invest in a good quality shredder and make sure that you shred all personal information to pieces before trashing it. The last thing you want is to get a call or find out that through your negligence, someone has, to your detriment, taken advantage of you and your family.

If you see someone dumping trash or dumpster diving try and get the license plate number safely and report it to the office.

Report any suspicious activity to security or call the police.

Keep your front and back porch lights on. The coop will change burned out bulbs at no charge to you.

For June in A Tract, no vehicles were tagged; in B Tract, one vehicle. Grounds inspections were not conducted in June.

Debra reported for the Activities Committee. There will be no picnic this year.

Cliff presented the maintenance report for May. Completed were 155 work orders; 20 remain. There were two move-outs and one preliminary move-out.

In June, 138 work orders were completed and 14 remain. There were two move-outs.

Five rehabs are underway.

The basketball court will be closed until July 30 to allow the mortar to cure.

Crystal presented the office report. For May and June, there have been four move-outs, one intent to vacate, 70 statements of charges due, 32 statements of credit, 32 defaults, four new waiting list applicants and three miscellaneous complaints.

Kathy presented the monthly Board Business report.

Striping will be completed in B Tract this week.

Installation of signs will begin on July 27. Playground equipment installation will begin August 20.

Timbers will be removed and a retaining wall built in A Tract.

Jason McGinness reported for Metro Public Safety.

Patrols responded to calls about parking violations.

Leslie opened the floor to member comments.

The open session ended at 7:40 p.m. and the meeting was adjourned at 10 p.m.



Office News

Colonial Square 2018 Activities Committees

No Activities Committee Meetings are scheduled.

There will not be a picnic this year.

Water Bills \$ 25,489.74

Trash bill for July \$ 1728.15

When is Missouri's tax-free holiday?

Missouri's 2018 tax-free weekend takes place Aug. 3 to 5. It begins at 12:01 a.m. on Friday and runs through midnight on Sunday.

During this time, you'll save the Missouri state sales tax of 4.225%.

Items included in Missouri's tax-free holiday

The following will be free of sales tax during tax-free weekend:

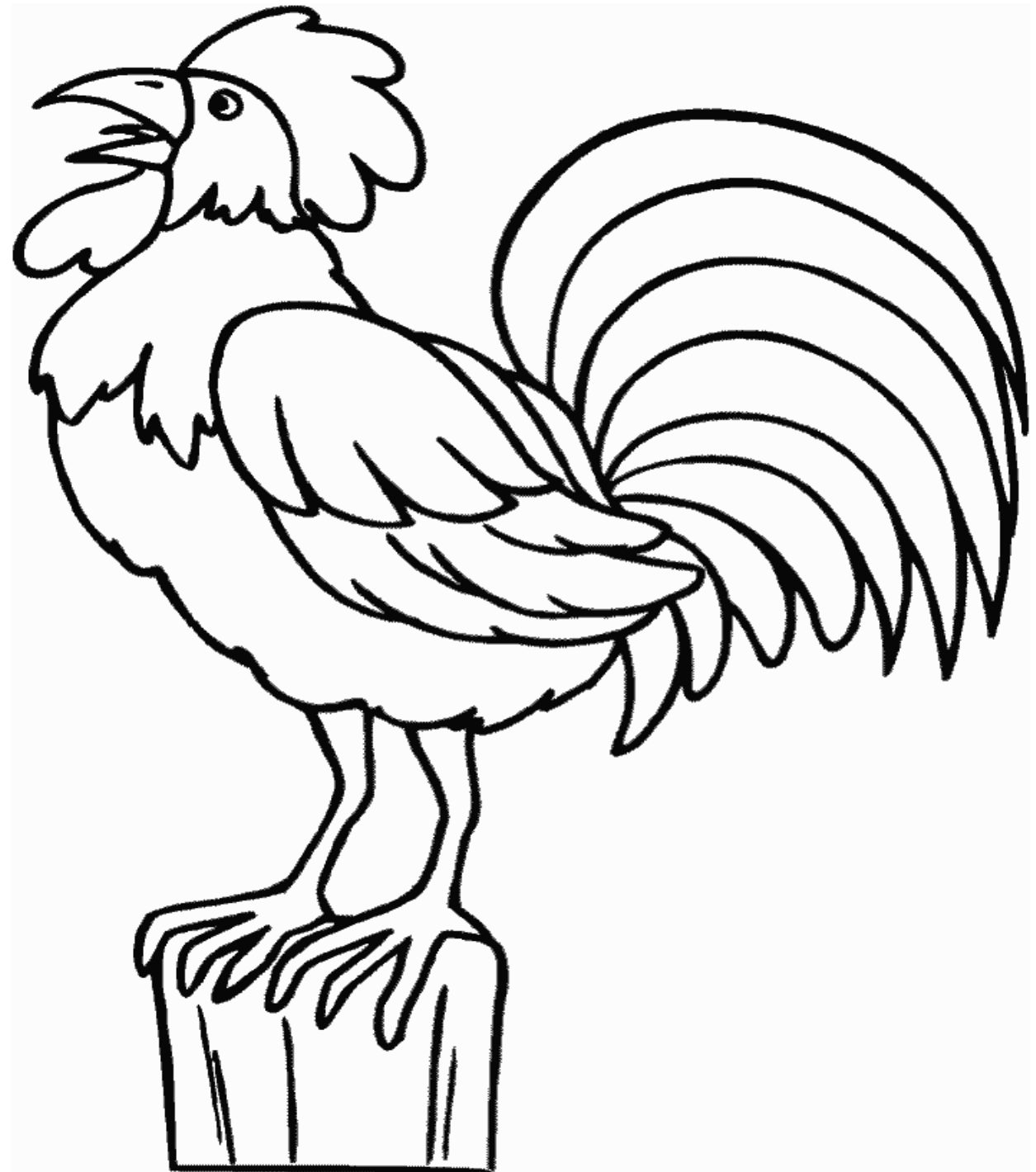
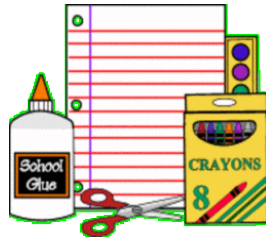
Clothing priced at \$100 or less per item

School supplies priced at \$50 or less per item: Includes textbooks, notebooks, paper, writing instruments, crayons, art supplies, rulers, book bags, backpacks, handheld calculators, graphing calculators, chalk, maps, and globes.

Computer software priced at \$350 or less per item

Graphing calculators priced at less than \$150

Computers and computer-peripheral devices priced under \$1,500 per item: This includes laptops, desktops and tablets. The \$1,500 threshold even encompasses some [Apple MacBooks and iPads](#), so this is a good opportunity to get a discount on these pricier items.



Crimes reported to the office in the month of July:

Tract A

None

Tract B

None

If you hear or see any suspicious activity please call the Police or Security.

Police Emergency: 911

Metro Public Safety: 816-809-9600 or 816-436-0401

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EXTERMINATION SCHEDULE FOR 2018

AUGUST 14, 2018 2148-2186

SEPTEMBER 11, 2018 2188-2228

OCTOBER 9, 2018 2230-2274

NOVEMBER 13, 2018 2276-2310

NO EXTERMINATIONS DONE IN DECEMBER



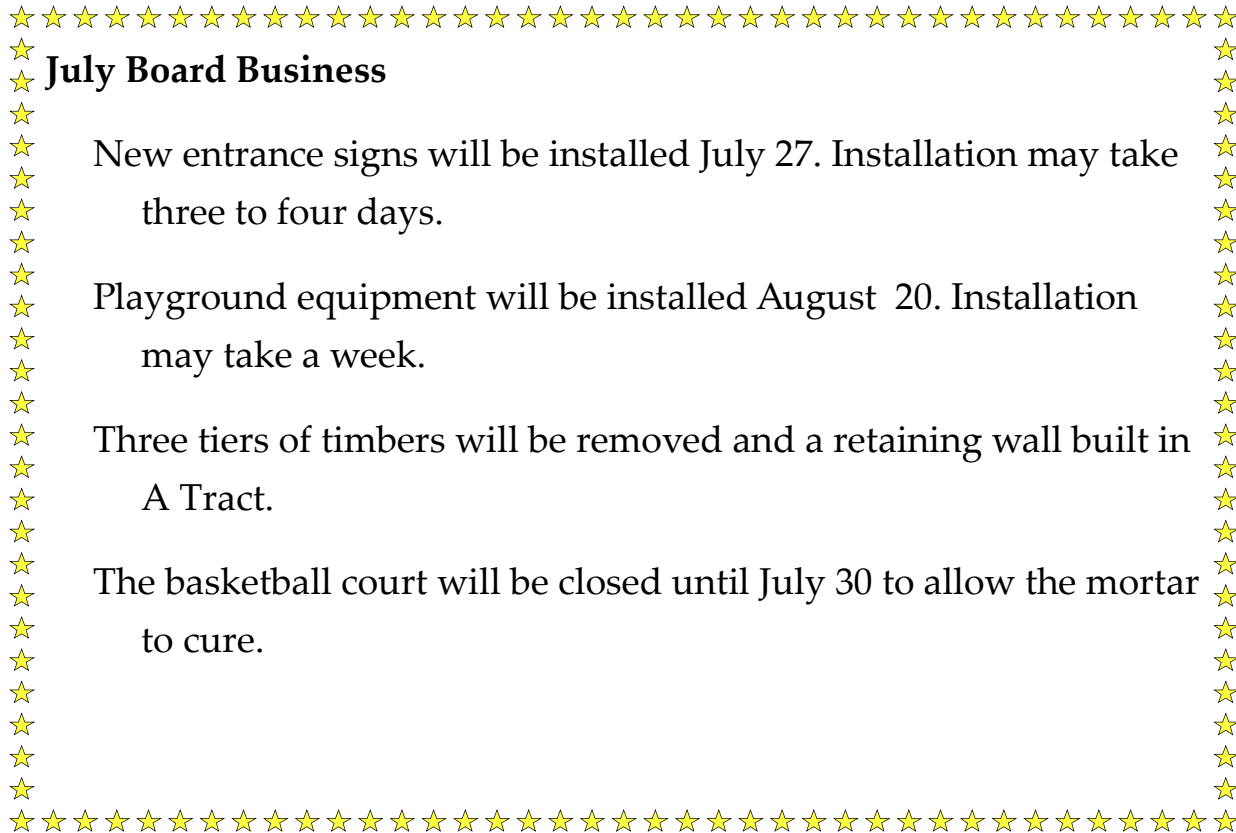
THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON THE FOLLOWING HOLIDAYS

LABOR DAY SEPTEMBER 3, 2018

THANKSGIVING NOVEMBER 22 & 23 2018

CHRISTMAS EVE DECEMBER 24, 2018 (close at noon)

CHRISTMAS DAY DECEMBER 25, 2018



July Board Business

New entrance signs will be installed July 27. Installation may take three to four days.

Playground equipment will be installed August 20. Installation may take a week.

Three tiers of timbers will be removed and a retaining wall built in A Tract.

The basketball court will be closed until July 30 to allow the mortar to cure.

Register for the Colonial Square Homes Resident Portal

Pay your carrying charges online one time or as an automatic payment.

View your account balance.

Keep up to date on cooperative events.

You do not have to set up online payments to be a part of the Resident Portal. You can register for access just to keep in touch with your community.

How To Get Started

Log on to our property website www.colonialsquarehomes.com and choose the Resident Portal link

Select "Residents"

Register for the Resident Portal

Important: You must have a valid email address registered in our system. Contact the on-site office for assistance in updating our records.

While we encourage you to sign up for online payments through the Portal, members can still pay by check or money order in the on-site office. Members may also complete an authorization form in the office for automatic payments without registering for the Portal if desired.



Easy Jambalaya with Chicken, Shrimp and Andouille Sausage

Ingredients

- 2 tablespoons canola oil
- 1 pound andouille sausage links sliced
- 1 large onion chopped
- 1 red bell pepper finely chopped
- 2 stalks celery thinly sliced
- 2 chicken breasts skinless, boneless, cut into chunks
- 1 can (28 ounces) diced tomatoes
- 2 cups chicken broth
- ½ teaspoon dried thyme
- 2 teaspoons dried oregano
- 1 tablespoon Cajun seasoning
- ½ teaspoon cayenne pepper
- 1 pound shrimp 13-15 count



Instructions

- Add canola oil to your dutch oven on medium high heat.
- Add the sausage to the pan and cook until crisp and browned.
- Remove the sausage and add in the onion, bell pepper and celery.
- Cook for 5-7 minutes, stirring every few minutes.
- Reduce the heat and add the chicken, tomatoes, broth, thyme, oregano, cajun seasoning and cayenne and cook, covered, for 15-20 minutes.
- Add the shrimp and sausage, stir and cook for 3-5 minutes, uncovered, serve over rice.