

## **June 2020 News from Princess Anne Gardens**

### **Greetings, neighbors!**

We are so excited to bring you the first digital newsletter ever for our community. We have developed a website to help distribute information about Princess Anne Gardens more efficiently. The newsletter will take on some additional formatting as we build the website. There are a number of things to get caught up on, so please read further and learn about things that are happening.

**COVID and Company:** It's been quite an adventure for all of us and we hope this finds you well and not in need of toilet paper. Some of the ways in which it has affected PAG is the closing of our clubhouse for the past 3 months, and of course the delay of the pool opening this season. We are happy to see everyone starting to get out and about and encourage everyone to continue physical distancing and use of face masks.

Due to COVID restrictions, the offices of United Property Associates are closed to the public and nearly all of their employees are working remotely. If you need to contact UPA, the main number will direct you to the appropriate department, and of course you can reach our **association** manager **Katrina McCluney** at **963-9276** or by email at [kmcluney@unitedpropertyassociates.com](mailto:kmcluney@unitedpropertyassociates.com)

Please keep in mind that Katrina's number will go to voice mail, but she will return your call ASAP.

### **The Pool:**

Due to state regulations, we are unable to open the pool during Phase 2 of the pandemic recovery. The only pools allowed to open at this time are required to have marked and roped lap lanes or be used for public exercise classes or

diving instruction. Our pool is too small for this and we are not permitted to open at this time. As soon as restrictions are eased, the pool will reopen for it's regular hours and hopefully remain open into September.

### **The Clubhouse:**

The clubhouse is now available for rentals, with current legal restrictions in consideration. Gatherings must be 50 people or fewer, and masks/physical distancing is encouraged. If you are interested in renting the clubhouse, contact Judy Wishart at JWishart6@gmail.com. In order to rent the clubhouse, you must be a property owner and current with your condo fees.

### **Children at Play:**

We recognize that there are limited options available for play space on our property. There is a playground available near the front of the property, although there is not a bike riding area there. As a result, we've seen a large increase of children riding bikes, power toys, scooters, etc. in the streets and parking lots. This creates a very dangerous situation, as most of us must back out to leave our parking spot and visibility is not always the best. We are asking that **bikes, riding toys, scooters, etc. remain on the sidewalk areas only**. We also strongly encourage the use of helmets and close parental supervision for these activities.

### **Upcoming Projects:**

**Power washing** of all of the buildings is scheduled to begin on July 6, weather permitting. All buildings will be cleaned with a water and bleach solution. We cannot predict which buildings will be done on which days, so beginning **July 6, please remove all items from your balcony or patio area** and keep them put away until your unit has been cleaned. Anything left in those areas will be subject to getting wet. Also close all windows and patio doors.

**Sewer line repair** is scheduled to begin **the week of June 29 weather permitting**. This will require blocking off about 20 parking spots on Ivywood Road, with traffic being diverted to one side of the road. The repair will take up to 5 days to complete, **weather permitting**. If you find that your spot is in the affected area, please park in another unmarked spot on Ivywood or Penrose Arch.

**Sidewalk and Curb Repair** is **tentatively scheduled in July, date to be determined**. This will eliminate some uneven sidewalks that pose trip hazards to people using them. We will also be replacing a section of curbing at the corner of Ivywood and Penrose.

### **The Pump Station:**

Several people have asked about what the pump station near the mailboxes is for. Princess Anne Gardens property connects to the city sewer line at Princess Anne Road, so any sewage generated in our buildings must be pumped out to the sewer line. We maintain the pump, which must run 24/7. There is a generator and propane tanks outside of the pump station to ensure continued operation in the event of a power outage. The station is equipped with an alarm system, which activates when the pump stops for any reason. If you are near the area and hear the alarm going off, please call UPA or (even better) contact Forest Pump Services to notify them. The phone number is on the sign outside of the station.

### **Pets:**

Please keep your pet on a leash whenever you walk them outside. You are required to clean up any feces your animal produces and place it in a dumpster. Leaving pet waste on the ground attracts rodents (roof rats especially) and roof rats attract snakes. So, **pick up the poop!**