

# Summerlakes Sun

The Newsletter of the Summerlakes Homeowners Association

April 2014

*Summerlakes Homeowners' Association  
3 S 020 Continental Drive  
Warrenville, Illinois 60555*

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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## **Facility Hours**

(Fall/Winter)

*Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM*

*Saturday 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM*

*Sunday 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM*

*Clubhouse Phone: (630) 393-3033*

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**Waste Management refuse stickers are  
available at the Clubhouse for  
\$3.09 per sticker**



# EASTER EGG HUNT

(for children 10 years old and under)

**Saturday, April 12th**

**10:00 a.m.**



All participants should arrive by 10:00 a.m. and get in their designated hunting areas.

**Don't Forget Your Baskets!**

## Starting Times Will Be:

10:10 a.m.-Egg Hunt begins for ages 1-2  
(under the pavilion)

10:20 a.m.-Egg Hunt begins for ages 3-4  
(large playground area)

10:30 a.m.-Egg Hunt begins for ages 5-7  
(west side of large playground near big rock)

10:40 a.m.-Egg Hunt Begins for ages 8-10  
(far north side of garage construction)



**The Easter Bunny**  
will be available for Visiting & Picture Taking

**REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED! By APRIL 9th**

Call the Clubhouse at 630-393-3033 to sign up NOW!

## VICE-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

When the April newsletter comes out, there is usually about 6 weeks until our pool needs to be up and ready for the seasonal opening. At the time of this printing, it is currently 22 degrees outside, the ground is still frozen and I still have a four foot pile of snow in my front yard. The Summerlakes pool also has snow on the pool cover with an iceberg underneath. In 2012 it was 84 degrees on this date. I expect our pool season may get off to a slow start this year.

The pool is this subdivision's most expensive line item every year with the maintenance costs, gas, electricity, water and lifeguard labor. Last year, Board member Steve Morgan headed up our pool maintenance and opening project with the pool company, Just In Time. They had to replace valves, install new filters, repair the pool pit, plus install a new concrete floor and repair the kiddie pool all before it opened in late May. They did a great job. This year, Board member Robert Olejarz volunteered to work with the pool company to continue extending the life of our pool. This pool was built in the mid-seventies with a life expectancy of about fifteen to twenty years. We are positive something won't work right this year also; just keep your fingers crossed that it is something minor. Our treasurer, Dave Alder, has a pool reserve plan in effect so we have been stashing money away for a new pool in the future; a little at a time.

The roof was installed on the new storage shed when the weather warmed up for a few days. The pavilion and existing garage will be re-roofed soon. Trimming out the soffits on the new garage along with installing the trim will be next. After the concrete floor and drives are pored, the garage doors will be installed followed by the electric panel, lights and outlets. Final grading, seeding and the planting of trees and shrubs will get us ready for a final inspection by the City of Warrenville. This project was headed up by Board member Robert Sickels and Architectural Committee member Harlan Davis.

The front entrance sign is scheduled to be re-installed A.S.A.P. The 40 foot block wall has been rebuilt, tuck pointed and capped so it should last for years to come. The existing wall will be power washed, may be stained if needed, and new high quality letters will be added soon. The letters will be made of a plastic polymer with a lifetime warranty. The new font of the letters will be a welcomed sight replacing the outdated seventies font. New landscaping and lighting will follow. This project has been headed up by Board members Greg Klopff and Jeanne Tassotto.

The Emerald Ash Borer has left a lot of ash trees dead in our parkways, common areas, and private yards. The City of Warrenville has removed the trees that they are responsible for, and replaced these dead trees with new trees with homeowner cooperation. If you did not receive a new replacement tree, call the City to see if they have your tree request on file for this year. Summerlakes will be having trees on the common areas removed and replaced as well. Dead trees on homeowner property is the property owner's responsibility.

The Summerlakes Board of Directors will be voting on the new Bylaws and Handbook at the meeting on April 10, 2014. If approved, copies of these will be sent out 1st class mail to every homeowner in Summerlakes. Board members from the last 3 years have revised and updated these bylaws to be used with new state association laws that affect us. Our attorney has reviewed these and made some changes with us. These will be the current bylaws and will be recorded at the county. Please discard your old copies.

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***VICE-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE, continued***

The Easter Bunny will be making his annual appearance at our Easter Egg Hunt to be held on Saturday, April 12, starting at 10:00 a.m. Get there early-it has been one of our most popular events for the kids.

The annual picnic has been discussed at the last few Board meetings with the pig roast back by popular demand. If you have any suggestions for the picnic this year, call manager Mickie Speedy with details.

From time to time we don't have much to inform you of in this newsletter. If there is anything you wish to be covered, please let us know and it will be covered in the next issue.

Thanks,

Robert Sickels  
Vice-President, SHA



**BRUSH PICK-UP BEGINS**

The Free Brush pick-up by the City of Warrenville will begin in April. Please note that there are revisions this year, and the schedule is as follows:

Zone 1—1st Monday of the month of April, May, September and October

Zone 2—2nd Monday of the month of April, May, September and October

Zone 3—3rd Monday of the month of April, May, September and October

Zone 4—4th Monday of the month of April, May, September and October

There will be **NO brush pick-up in the months of June, July and August.**

Brush piles must comply with the following requirements:

- ◆ One pile per address
- ◆ Pile cannot be greater than 3 feet in height and 15 feet in length
- ◆ Branches cannot be longer than 8 feet in length and no more than 8 inches in diameter
- ◆ Branches must be placed with the larger cut end toward the street

Brush pick-up is limited to trimmings from bushes or shrubs, as well as branches from trimming and/or pruning trees. **Other items such as logs, root balls, stumps, lumber, etc. will NOT be picked up.**

Brush piles that do not conform to these standards will not be picked up and a notice will be left on the front door. Please contact the Public Works Dept. at 630-393-9050 for more information or go online at [www.warrenville.il.us](http://www.warrenville.il.us).

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★  If you have questions, complaints, concerns or compliments for the Board of Directors,  
★ they can be reached at [shaboard@summerlakeshomeowners.org](mailto:shaboard@summerlakeshomeowners.org)  
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## NOTES FROM OUR SECRETARY

We are all looking forward to the end of the long winter but the warmer weather unfortunately brings some problems:

### COYOTES

It's spring and at least some of our resident coyotes are raising new families, and they will be more determined than ever to locate food. Please take some time to secure all garbage and trash cans and clean up around bird feeders. For your safety and that of your neighbors, keep your pets and pet food inside.

If you, or your children, encounter a coyote do not run away, instead stand your ground, wave your arms and shout at them. The Humane Society recommends spraying the coyote with a garden hose, or throwing a stick or rock. Carrying noise makers (whistles, small air horns, etc.), pepper spray or a squirt gun when out for a run or walking, particularly when walking a small dog is also suggested.

### DOOR TO DOOR SOLICITORS

The warmer weather also brings out more door to door solicitations. Some of these are from legitimate businesses and organizations but others are not. Warrenville requires that all solicitors (including charities) as well as those distributing materials, are required to have a solicitor's license. If some one coming to your door does not have one, ignores a "do not trespass" or "no soliciting" sign, or does not immediately leave if asked, call 911 to report them. Some of these people are looking for houses to rob, vulnerable residents to victimize, and others are just con artists seeking contributions to non existent charities, taking orders for products that will never arrive or offering to do work that will be substandard or never completed.

### SPOOFING

While not (other than campaign calls) related to spring telemarketing, calls of all sorts (robocalls, political ads, etc.) have been on the increase and recently a new and illegal technique has been reported. Telephone numbers are being spoofed, that is a false number is appearing on caller ID's. Often this will be a local number; it might even be one that you recognize. Be aware that the phone call may not be coming from the person/organization you think it is. Remember to never give out personal information (account or social security numbers, birthdates, etc.) to anyone who has called you. Robocalls, calls to numbers on the DO NOT CALL registry are prohibited, as are telemarketing cold calls to cell phones. To file a complaint about violators contact [www.fcc.gov/complaints](http://www.fcc.gov/complaints).

Jeanne Tassotto  
Secretary-SHA

### SUGGESTIONS???

Homeowners, we are always open to suggestions and ideas from you. If there are any activities you would like to see happen at the Clubhouse, feel free to contact Mickie or any of the Board Directors, and we'll see if we can make them happen. This is your facility, and we want to make it user friendly for everyone.

## **ATTENTION HOMEOWNERS! IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR HOMES**

**Back in 2010-2011 we informed you of two residents located within Summerlakes who had experienced a collapse of the sheetrock ceiling in a room of their houses. They were inspected by a local engineer and determined that the glue which was used by some of the builders around 30 years ago in combination with the nails, had dried out and lost its bonding properties, transferring the support load to the nails alone. Over time the nails pull out of the wood joists, and as they pull loose, load is transferred to the adjacent nails and they also pull loose. This is a progressive failure that eventually hits a critical condition and may produce a catastrophic sudden collapse.**

**It has recently been brought to our attention once again that a third homeowner in Summerlakes has recently experienced the same problem in their home. The entire ceiling in one of their rooms collapsed, and had the owner been home at the time it could have had more devastating results. This notice is simply to inform the homeowners about this potential problem. As the majority of the homes in Summerlakes are in the same age range as the ones noted (30 yrs.), you are *urged* to have your ceilings checked out by an engineer, construction contractor or other reputable source if you suspect any issues. Sudden cracks, unusual nail pops, bulging or bowing of the ceiling are sure indications of a potential problem. For further information or questions, please give Mickie a call at the Clubhouse at 630-393-3033.**

### **ARCHITECTURAL REQUEST FORMS**

**IT'S BUILDING SEASON! BEFORE** doing any exterior alteration or modification to your home, fence, or other structure (including, but not limited to, color changes, siding, roofing), an architectural request form **must** be filled out and approved in writing by the Summerlakes Board of Directors and/or our Architectural Committee. Failure to comply with these rules may result in fines. The architectural request form can be found on the website [www.shainfo.com](http://www.shainfo.com), or can be picked up at the Clubhouse during regular business hours. The Architectural Committee meets twice a month to review any requests that are turned in, and will do their best to expedite the approval process so you can begin your home project within your desired time frame. Not following this procedure may result in delaying your project plans.

Guidelines for exterior maintenance changes can be found in Article XIV, sections 14.01 through 14.06 of the Summerlakes Homeowner Association Bylaws, also located on the SHA website under 'operations'.

Please call the office if you have any questions. 630-393-3033.

Homeowners are also reminded by the City to obtain permits for certain interior remodeling and building projects, including electrical and plumbing/sewer work, roofs, fences, driveways, decks, patios, sheds, swimming pools, and lawn sprinkler systems to name a few.

Please contact the Community Development Department at 630-393-9050 for additional information.

# April 2014

*Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat*

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| <i>Don't Forget to Sign Up for the Egg Hunt!</i>   |           |           |           |   |                                 |  |
| <i>6</i>   | <i>7</i>  | <i>8</i>  | <i>9</i>  | <i>10</i><br><i>Board Meeting</i><br><i>7:00 pm</i> | <i>11</i>                       | <i>12</i><br><i>Easter Egg Hunt</i><br><i>10:00 am</i> |
| <i>13</i><br><i>Palm Sunday</i>                    | <i>14</i> | <i>15</i> | <i>16</i> | <i>17</i>   | <i>18</i><br><i>Good Friday</i> | <i>19</i>  |
| <i>20</i><br><i>Happy Easter!</i><br><i>Closed</i> | <i>21</i> | <i>22</i> | <i>23</i> | <i>24</i>   | <i>25</i>                       | <i>26</i>  |
| <i>27</i><br><i>Rental 12-5</i>                    | <i>28</i> | <i>29</i> | <i>30</i> |   |                                 |  |

**Motions of  
Board of Directors Meeting  
March 13, 2014**

**Motion:** To approve the February meeting minutes as written. All Ayes.

**Motion:** To approve the February financial reports as written. All Ayes.

**Motion:** To allocate \$4,000.00 for the printing and mailing of the new bylaws and handbook to each homeowner. All Ayes.

**Motion:** To accept the bid by Just In Time Pool & Spa Co. of \$1095.00 to open the pool this season. All Ayes.

**Motion:** To authorize up to \$6,000. for pool repairs if/as needed. All Ayes.

**Motion:** To approve the hiring of a part-time grounds maintenance person for the spring/summer. All Ayes.

**Motion:** To accept the bid from Bob Sickels to do the electrical work on the new garage, at a cost up to \$4,000. 5 Ayes, 1 Abstain.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING**

**April 10, 2014  
7:00 p.m.**

