

## **Stonegate Email News of 3-01-07**

### **How well do your children swim?**

In a community with so many pools, it's important that they swim well. That's why the Social/Rec Committee and the Board have always made it a point to offer summer swim lessons in Stonegate pool.

There are several major changes in this year's program. First, a change of provider. Lori's Swim School has been so successful at La Camarilla that they elected not to continue with us. Little Fins, a subsidiary of the popular soccer organization Kicks Kids, is the new provider. They're also running programs at DC Ranch, Greyhawk and many other communities. The fee remains at \$95 for eight lessons. Last year, lessons were not offered until June. This year, Little Fins is willing to start classes in May if there is enough demand. If you're interested in May lessons, call them at (480) 585-7684 or go to their website, [www.kickskids.com](http://www.kickskids.com) Little Fins will also be represented at Spring Fling on April 22 at Stonegate pool.

Perhaps the biggest change is that Little Fins does not specify a minimum enrollment to offer a swim team here. Efforts to organize a Stonegate team have failed for the past two years because we didn't have enough kids. But this year we definitely will have a team in a recreational league – the kind that focuses on ribbons and hugs, not just finding future Olympians. Swim team gives our kids the coaching and motivation to become *strong* little swimmers. It's an important asset to the community.

### **Do not call. Do Email.**

I've received several emails saying that cell phone numbers will soon be fair game for telephone solicitors. But having received my share of bogus information via the internet, I had to check. What I found out is – it's all perfectly true! The government website now advises you to register your cell phone numbers with the Do Not Call Registry. You can do it at the FTC's website: [www.donotcall.gov](http://www.donotcall.gov).

### **Zoom, zoom, zoom.**

No, no, no. Please! Your neighbors, and their kids and pets have asked me to remind everyone that Stonegate's speed limit is 25 miles per hour. There is no reason ever to exceed that.

### **Election time.**

The election materials have been mailed out. If you haven't received it yet, you soon will. Please open the envelope, read it, and if possible, watch the Meet the Candidates tape on Channel 22. Last week's Stonegate Email News included a Meet the Candidates schedule, as will next week's. Schedules are also posted on the bulletin boards. That brings us to the subject of ...

### **Channel 22 Digital Audio: Dead or Alive?**

If you use a cable TV converter box of any sort – regular, high definition or DVR – you aren't receiving audio on Channel 22 when you tune in for Meet the Candidates. It was there a few weeks ago, then disappeared. A heat problem in the utility box where Channel 22 is inserted into the local network, they said. Now it appears they will be replacing much of our cable television equipment. (Yes!) They hope to install it on Monday. Meanwhile, you can hear our Meet the Candidates tape by watching on an analog outlet (any set in the house which is not hooked up through a converter box.). The announcement screens do not carry any audio.

### **Dog Days Ahead**

Stonegate dogs never bark. The CC&Rs don't allow it. However, some dogs have a hard time reading the CC&Rs, making it a hard concept to remember.

We're now going into the time of year when windows will be open, and neighbors will become very aware if your dog is breaking the rules. So please take special care. Dogs should be inside at night. Not only does this build good will with the neighbors, it's much safer from coyotes.