

## Stonegate Email News of 7-11-08

### Sharks gotta swim!

The Stonegate Sharks have a home meet tomorrow morning. Go Sharks! Open swimming will resume after the meet, at about 9:30AM.

### Vendors 101 (The streamlined, summer school course)

Vendors are admitted between 7AM and 4PM, Monday through Saturday, not at all on Sunday. They are not permitted to work after 5PM. Vendors such as housekeepers, caterers and home health care workers may be exceptions, provided their work is entirely accomplished indoors and passers by would not be aware of their presence. Tradesmen such as kitchen remodelers, wood refinishers, painters or carpet cleaners do not qualify as exceptions, even though they do work indoors.

HVAC and electrical repair people may be exceptions and can be admitted any time if you need them to handle real emergencies. Washing machine repair is not an emergency, even if you are out of fresh skivvies. Dog groomers do not qualify, no matter what little Muffy was rolling in.

### **Vendor admits fall into three categories:**

- **Regular vendors.** Send them to the gate to apply for a vendor pass. They get a hanger for the mirror and the gate will wave them in. There is no faster vendor admit.
- **Occasional vendors.** Best to bring them in with QuickPass. *Be sure to list the arrival time at least half an hour before the appointment time.* Your information doesn't become available to the gate until the time you specify. Those who have no internet can call the gate: (480) 391-9936.
- **Trouble.** If you meet them at East Gate, Retreat Gate or Regal Gate and click them in, you risk a fine. Vendors and visitors come in through the main gate. No exceptions.

### Toilet paper removal.

We know: You didn't ask for it. But you do have to clean it up and the sooner the better. That stuff can travel considerable distances and your neighbors don't want it either.

To clean it up, immediately remove all the paper you can reach. Then take the hose and a squirt-nozzle and bring the rest of it down for another round of pick-ups. Your teens can do this with amazing speed.

### A tree's best friend is . . .

Nope, not the birds or the bees. It's the tree trimmer.

As we move into monsoon season, that's going to become painfully clear to some of our residents. Trees which have not been trimmed are not only messier, they're much less likely to survive the high winds which are the hallmark of the season.

When your landscaper or arborist comes out to do your trees, please remind him that Stonegate requires a minimum of 8' of headroom for trees which extend out over the sidewalk. If the tree extends out over the street, it should be trimmed to allow enough room for high profile vehicles to pass without touching. When the trimming is done, the clearances should be much greater to allow for future growth.