

SHORELINE

RLPOA

July 2015

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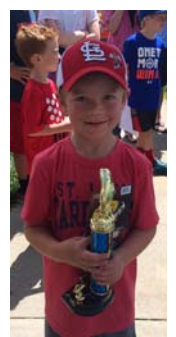
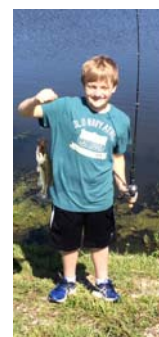


The office will be closed on Saturday, **July 4th**. Raintree Fireworks show will be shot off the dam, beginning around 9:30 p.m. at the discretion of the Lee's Summit Fire Marshal. Please note that Raintree Parkway will be closed for setup and while fireworks are going off.

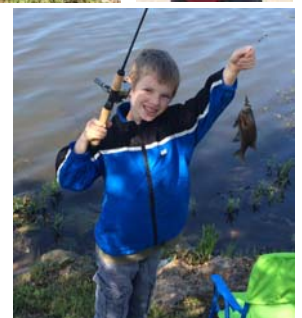
*For **July 4th** Parade and Carnival activities and city fireworks regulations, see pages 4 & 5.*

PLEASE NOTE: PARADE START TIME HAS CHANGED! ASSEMBLE 9:30 am (at the dam) PARADE BEGINS AT 10:00 am

Enjoy a safe and happy 4th of July!



The Raintree Memorial Day Fishing Derby was a great success! For thank yous & the list of winners see pg. 16!



Financial Statement

As of May 2015

Money Market Sweep Account:	Capital Asset:
\$337,532.95	\$10,500
Included in the Sweep Account are Reserves for:	Monument:
Operations:	\$5,000
\$70,000	Raintree View:
Dock Self Insurance:	\$9,000
\$41,000	Siltation Loan:
Siltation:	(\$45,000)
\$22,500	2014 Rollover:
Insurance Reserve:	\$18,649
\$5,000	Notes Payable:
Annual Loan Payment:	\$170,506.79
\$72,747	Expenses:
	\$218,447.42

Delinquency Report Comparison

2015	2014
One Quarter Past Due:	
57 Lots totaling	
\$ 6,484.89	\$ 6,204.03
Two Quarters Past Due:	
16 Lots totaling	
\$ 3,796.34	\$ 1,361.42
Three Quarters Past Due:	
16 Lot totaling	
\$ 6,454.98	\$12,581.14
Liens:	
27 Lots totaling	
\$49,202.56	\$43,203.34



Board Approvals for June 9, 2015:



- Approved Cub Scout Pack 54's Fishing Derby at the Duck Pond on June 20th.

Unsatisfied Judgments/Liens

LIENS			
Lot#	First Name	Last Name	Address
119	Roger	Slead	732 SW Raintree Drive
158	Steve	May	727 SW Raintree Drive
862	Stanley & Teresa	Lamaster	5108 SW Mallard Point
1502 A-D	Michael	Smith	3886-C SW Harbor Drive
SR9	Michael	Willard	3821 SW Windsong Dr.
SR29	Sonja	Lane	3824 SW Windsong Dr.

UNSATISFIED JUDGMENTS			
Lot#	First Name	Last Name	Address
43	Angela	Marks	3829 SW Harbor Circle
48	Ronald & Deborah	Knold	3804 SW Harbor Circle
463	Dennis	Hammontree	4279 SW Averio Lane
552	Moses	Smith	313 SW Green Teal
620	Lauren	Gleason	405 SW Seaside Sparrow
1361	Victor & Sharon	Lee	820 SW Lake Pines Drive
	Russell	Winton	
NS04	Tim & Jennifer	Fortier	4468 SW Raintree Shore
W37A-D	Darron Properties		3824 SW Harbor Drive

Plus an additional six properties that are in bankruptcy.



RAINTREE SUMMERFEST

PARADE & CARNIVAL

SATURDAY, JULY 4TH

Parade begins at 10:00

- * Assemble at dam parking lot at 9:30am - parade to begin promptly at 10:00

This year's parade is going to be incredible!!

- * For more information contact Jenny Bolin at 816-301-8282

NOTE TIME
CHANGES!!

Carnival 10:30am-1:30pm

- * Join us after the parade at the clubhouse
- * Inflatables, rides, games, face painting, caricature drawings, snow cones, and cotton candy



For information or to
volunteer contact:
Greer Cannady
greercannady@gmail.com
816-213-4551





Lee's Summit Fireworks Regulations



Consumer Permits:	A permit is required for each household discharging fireworks within the city limits. Permits are free and can be obtained at any authorized vendor in Lee's Summit or the Finance Department at City Hall (220 SE Green Street, 969-1139).
Fireworks Not Allowed:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Rockets on a stick (example: bottle rockets)○ Missiles with fins or rudders for the purpose of achieving aerodynamic flight; and○ Roman Candles, California Candles, Illuminating Torches, or similar items, with or without spikes, which contain wording on the caution label that is substantially similar to the following: "WARNING SHOOTS FLAMING BALLS" or "WARNING SHOOTS FLAMING BALLS AND REPORTS"; and single or multi-shot parachutes, with night effects.
Allowable Times/Dates:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● July 2: 10am-11pm● July 3: 10am-11pm● July 4: 10am-12am
Age Limits:	Must be 16 or older, unless supervised by a parent or guardian
What are the restrictions on where you can shoot fireworks?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Cannot use fireworks, including pyrotechnic devices in such a manner that, after it is ignited, will propel it, or any part thereof, such that it, or any part thereof, lands on property not owned by the person shooting the fireworks.● Cannot shoot fireworks within 300 feet of permanent flammable liquid or gas storage or dispenser, or where fireworks are stored or sold; or 600 feet from a church, school, hospital, or mental health facility.● Cannot be discharged within any structure; on property not owned by the shooter, or propelled onto property not owned by the shooter;● Cannot shoot into or at a motorized vehicle including watercraft (except where a display permit has been issued for a floating vessel) or at or near any person, group of people, or animal.
Can you purchase fireworks in Lee's Summit?	You can purchase fireworks from any of the authorized vendors within the city limits of Lee's Summit. Fireworks sold outside of the city limits may not be discharged in the city limits unless they are allowable fireworks under the city ordinance.

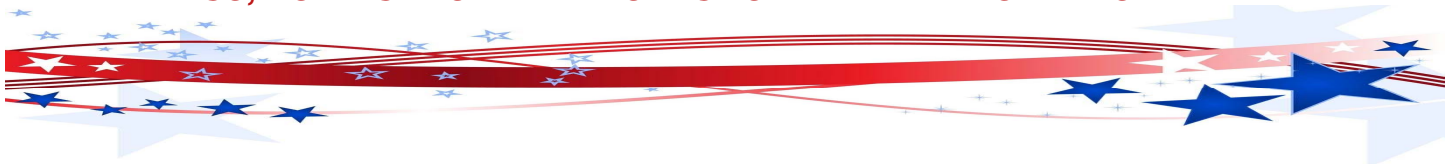
Before shooting fireworks, be aware of conditions in the area where fireworks are being discharged. Avoid areas of dry vegetation or other combustible materials and have a water hose or bucket available in case of a small fire. Keep small children and pets out of the immediate area. Please properly dispose of waste material in a safe manner.

If you have any questions about the fireworks regulations, firework display information, or [information on keeping safe](#), please contact the Lee's Summit Fire Department at 207 SE Douglas Street or call (816) 969-1300.

Excerpted from: <http://cityofls.net/Fire/Permits-Inspections-and-Development/Fireworks.aspx>

REMINDER: NO FIREWORKS ON COMMON GROUND. YOUR FIREWORKS PERMIT IS FOR YOUR PROPERTY ONLY. RESIDENTS – CALL POLICE IF YOU SEE FIREWORKS BEING SET OFF ON COMMON GROUND.

ALSO, DON'T SET OFF FIREWORKS TOWARD WATERCRAFT ON LAKE!!!





Mark your Calendars

Teen Swim
Thursday, July 17th
7-10 PM

Family Swim
Saturday, August 9th
6-9 PM

FOOD and drinks at both events



THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!!

A very special thank you to the volunteers who helped to make the first 2015 Teen Swim so fantastic! 115 teens turned out for food and fun!

Thank you, thank you to the volunteers: Brenda Zeller, Jenny Bolin, Kelly Oestreich, Teresa Edwards, & Greer Cannady!



8 Quiet Signs of Someone Drowning

Find out the real warning signs that someone
is in trouble in the water



from mariovittone.com

Drowning is the second-most common cause of accidental death in children ages 1 to 14 (just behind motor vehicle accidents). In a 2004 study by a national safety group, 90 percent of children who drowned did so while under the care of an adult or a teenager. In many cases, the study suggests, that person had a momentary lapse of attention. But the fact is that often those watching don't know what to look for—because drowning doesn't look like drowning. To ward off a tragedy in the making, watch for the 8 signs that someone is in trouble.

1. A drowning person can't call for help—she has to be able to breathe before she can speak. When a person is drowning, her mouth sinks below and reappears above the surface of the water. There isn't time for her to exhale, inhale, and call out.
2. She can't wave for help either. A drowning person instinctively extends her arms to the sides and presses down to lift her mouth out of the water; a child may extend her arms forward. She can't use her arms to move toward a rescuer or reach for rescue equipment.
3. A drowning person remains upright in the water, with no evidence of kicking. She can struggle for only 20 to 60 seconds before going under.
4. Eyes are glassy, unable to focus, or closed.
5. Hair may be over forehead or eyes.
6. Head is low in the water, with mouth at water level; head may be tilted back with mouth open. A child's head may fall forward.
7. Sometimes the most important indicator that someone is drowning is that she doesn't look like she's drowning. She may just seem to be looking up at the sky, shore, pool deck, or dock. Ask her, "Are you all right?" If she can answer at all, she probably is okay. If she returns a blank stare, you may have less than 30 seconds to get to her.
8. Children playing in the water make noise. When they get quiet, you need to get to them and find out why.

Adult Pizza Party



When: Friday, August 7th

Where: Raintree Clubhouse

Doors open at 5:30 pm

Dinner served: 6-8 pm

Fun continues until: 10 pm

BYOB

To volunteer please call Nancy Brandell at 537-9960

Be sure to bring your Raintree I.D. card with you!!

Adult Activities Need Your Help!!

If you are interested in volunteering to help with Raintree Adult Activities, call Rose Marie Walter at 537-8486. Get involved and enjoy meeting people and helping to continue the great activities that Raintree offers!

Can you do Just One Thing?

A lot of people would *like* to help out, but they don't volunteer –they're afraid they might be required to attend monthly meetings. And they JUST DON'T HAVE THE TIME for that. But... what if you were asked to **DO JUST ONE THING?**

- One trip to the store for supplies (we pay)
- One-time parade street guard
- One online search for the perfect thing we need
- One session of Easter egg filling
- One activity set-up
- One errand
- One Shoreline Ad creation
- One brain-storming idea session
- One-time parade judge

1. **ONE**
thing

The family activities committee would like to create a list of people who will do JUST ONE THING to help out in our community. Your help will be SO appreciated!

WE PROMISE NOT TO ASK FOR ANY MORE OF YOUR TIME THAN JUST THAT ONE THING!

Tell us what you are willing to do, and that is all we will ask you for.

PLEASE Call Greer Cannady 816-213-4551 or email her at greercannady@gmail.com if you are willing to help.



REMINDER OF RAINTREE POOL RULES REGARDING GUESTS:

Here are a few of the Raintree rules that we all need to be reminded of. These, as well as the rest of the rules, can be found on the RLPOA website and in the Raintree Directory.

- 4. Residents will receive single day guest credits (quantity to be determined by Board of Directors each year) per lot per pool season to be used at their discretion. Maximum of 10 guest credits can be carried over from previous year. Single day guest passes will be available to purchase in blocks of 10 for a \$20.00 fee at RLPOA office.*
- 5. All guests will be accompanied by a Raintree resident at all times.*
- 6. All guests ages sixty-five (65) and above and two (2) and younger will be free of charge but must be accompanied by a Raintree resident at all times.*
- 9. Resident children under ten (10) years of age must be accompanied by a Raintree resident fourteen (14) years of age or older. Amended March 24, 2005*
- 12. Resident Grandparents: Visiting grandchildren up to 18 years of age, may use the swimming pool on your resident ID card, but must be accompanied by you while at the pool.*

***Please act with integrity and follow the rules!
Please don't cause trouble for the pool employees!***



Yard of the Month



North Side:

625 SW Lemans Lane
Troy & Jodi Wilson

South Side:

4904 SW Raintree Court
James & Angel Niswonger



Maintenance Free:

228 SW Raintree Drive
Brian Chasteen



Third Quarter Billing Coming out in July!

Third quarter billing will be coming out in July and will be due by October 31st.

Second quarter billing was due by June 30. Only those who are current in their dues will be admitted into the pool. Keep this in mind so your family can enjoy a full summer of fun at Raintree!

2015 Activities Schedule

4th of July Parade	7/4
4th of July Carnival	7/4
4th of July Fireworks	7/4
Teen Swim	7/16
Adult Pizza Party	8/7
Family Swim	8/15
Fall Garage Sale	9/10- 9/12
Adult Pizza Party	9/19
Visit with Santa	12/5



SOUND OFF!

Please be aware that when attempting to access the lake and boat slips, the area between houses is not Common Ground; **it is private property**. Please gain permission from homeowners before walking between houses or look for ways to access the lake by walking on Raintree walkways. Homeowners have the right to call the police for trespassing.

For the 4th of July - It has been suggested that boat owners throw an old boat cover or tarp over their boats to protect them from fireworks.

E-News



Stay current on Raintree events with weekly bulletins and instant news alerts on important items of interest such as water quality reports and police alerts. Sign up at: www.rlpoa.com

1045 members are already signed up!

CODES BLOTTER

Boat & Trailer - 27
Owner's Siltation - 2
Common Ground - 3
Preservation of Property - 19
Trash - 26
ARB - 3
Builder's Dumpster - 1
Recreational Vehicle - 1

LAKE BLOTTER

Failure to display current sticker - 1
Too close to another vessel - 1

Kid-Friendly July 4th Layered Drink Recipe

Yield: 3 cups

INGREDIENTS:

1 cup red CranApple juice
1 cup white Sobe Pina Colada flavored drink
1 cup blue G2 Gatorade
Ice
Straws

DIRECTIONS:

1. Fill your glass 1/3 of the way full with CranApple juice.
2. Fill to the top with ice.
3. Slowly pour the remaining drinks directly on top of a piece of ice.
4. Drink with a straw

NOTES:

You MUST pour SLOWLY, DIRECTLY over ice :)



The drink will stay for awhile with the red drink at the bottom, the clear (white) in the middle and the blue at the top! Happy 4th of July!!

Welcome New Residents!!

Harold & Polly Collier
4821 SW Soldier Drive

Joshua & Tiffany Terry
701 SW Lemans Lane

Laura England
4077 SW Lido

Bob & Missy Gard
4082 SW Camelot Dr.

Nathan & Nikole Muncy
211 SW Seaside Sparrow

Mike & Jessica Armstrong
4112 SW Laharve Dr.

Mary Goodson
3904 SW Hidden Cove Dr.

Scott & Terri Shauner
4225 SW Clipper Lane

Gregory & Laural Byrd
4639 SW Olympia Place

Robert Cline & Cyndi Scallorn
3886-C SW Harbor Drive

*Welcome to
Raintree!*



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Cards 1:00 pm @DPAC Swim Meet	2 MahJongg 1 pm @ DPAC Siltation Comm 7pm at Clubhouse ARB DEADLINE	3 	4
5	6 Quilting B's 9am - 4 pm @ DPAC ARB 7 p.m. @ Clubhouse	7 Ladies Bridge 9:15am & Men's Club 1:30 pm both at DPAC Appeals Mtg-7pm DPAC	8 Ladies Bunco 10:am @ DPAC RTV Meeting 7pm @ Clubhouse Swim Meet	9 Professional Women's Group 9 -10am DPAC MahJongg 1 pm DPAC Anglers Tournament Teen Swim 7-10 pm	10	11
12	13 Quilters Guild 9- 2 pm @DPAC Pool Committee 7pm @ Clubhouse Lake Committee 7pm @ Clubhouse	14 Ladies Bridge 9:15am & Men's Club 1:30 pm both at DPAC North Shore POA Board Mtg. 6:30pm Clubhouse Board Mtg. 7pm Clubhouse	15 Garden Club 7pm @ DPAC Shoreline Deadline	16 MahJongg 1 pm @ DPAC Teen Swim #2 7-10 pm Angler's Tournament 6pm - 9pm ARB DEADLINE	17	18
19 Cobblestone Annual Meeting @ DPAC	20 Bee Keepers 9 - 4 pm ARB 7 p.m. @ Clubhouse	21 Ladies Bridge 9:15am & Men's Club 1:30 pm both at DPAC Common Ground Mtg. 7pm @ DPAC	22	23 MahJongg 1 pm @ DPAC Villas Board Meeting@ DPAC 6:30 pm	24	25
26	27 Fountain's Bunco 1pm DPAC Mtg. 7pm Raintree Angler's Club 7pm @ DPAC	28 Ladies Bridge 9:15am & Men's Club 1:30 pm both at DPAC Board Work Session 7pm @ Clubhouse	29	30 MahJongg 1 pm @ DPAC ARB DEADLINE	31	1

Become Involved!!

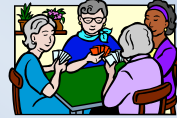


Card Players Wanted

Men's Club

Meets every Tuesday at 1:30 pm at the Duck Pond Activity Center.

Ladies' Bridge Club



Come to the DPAC on Tuesday mornings at 9:15 to join the fun. Everyone plays! From beginners to advanced. Whatever your level, you will fit right in.



Friendly Yarners

No experience necessary! From **SEPTEMBER THRU MAY** every 2nd and 4th Wednesday afternoon 2-4pm @ DPAC knitting and crocheting individuals get together to visit, improve their skills and make items for Truman Medical Center newborns and cancer patients such as blankets, caps and mittens. Instructor present at all sessions. For more information contact Sharon McCann (816) 623-3352. This group takes a break June - August. Please join us in September!

Mah Jongg

I'll be happy to teach you the American version of this fun, social game. The game takes a small amount of time and effort to learn compared to the enjoyment you will have playing. We meet in the Duck Pond Activity Center - every Thursday at 1 pm.

Linda Scott (520) 204-7339



Raintree Lake Woman's Networking Group



Please join us on the 2nd Thursday of each month, 9 AM, at the Duck Pond Activity Center to meet other professional women and business owners who live in Raintree.

For more information email Lisa at lisa@sewandco.com or Marsha at marsha.esbedesigns@gmail.com

Ladies' Bunko

Meets at 10 am on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the Duck Pond Activity Center.



Contact Rose Marie Walter

537-8486

Calling all Golfers!!!

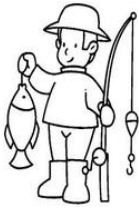


Join the Raintree Golf League for Raintree residents.

Thursday nights. The 3rd session starts on August 6th.

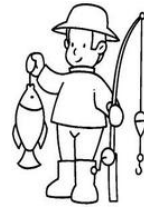
Contact Derrick Beasley for more information: 816-863-8894 or derrick.m.beasley@gmail.com

Like to play cards or games?
Looking for guys or gals to join us on the first Wednesday of each month at 1:00pm at the DPAC. If you are interested please contact Rose Marie Walter
537-8486



2015 Memorial Day Fishing Derby

Our gratitude & congratulations!



The fishing derby this year had a record turnout with 146 kids showing up to compete! The weather turned out to be perfect for fishing! The participants caught over 600 fish and we were able to award 40 children with a prize. All anglers received a certificate. Please join Raintree Lake in congratulating our 2015 trophy winners:

2-5 year olds: 1st place-Julian Gutierrez, 2nd place-Knox Spencer, 3rd place-Trevor Boehmer

6-9 year olds: 1st place-Brody Rison, 2nd place-Kyle Treacy, 3rd place-Sophia Hinken & Jack Treacy

10-13 year olds: 1st place-Javi Gutierrez, 2nd place-Hunter Ruiz, 3rd place-Hunter Milner

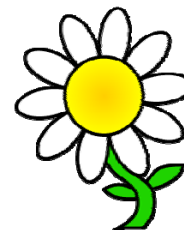
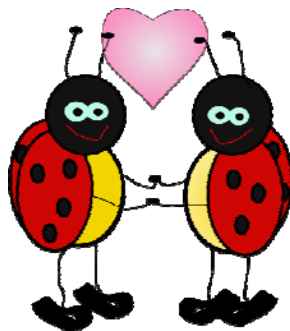
14-17 year olds: 1st place-Sawyer Watt, 2nd place-Jacob McDowell, 3rd place-Cade Krawchuk

PLEASE JOIN US 2016 MEMORIAL DAY FOR THIS YEARLY EVENT!

A VERY special thank you to the following volunteers. The event SIMPLY would not have been possible without you!

Joe High, Frank & Brenda Zeller, Craig Eaton, Tricia Root, Joan Bruns, Dave Sinclair, Jon & Brody Garner, Touny Nhotharack, Susan Eagan, Teresa & Rick Edwards, Chris Peck, Sue Rusco, Mike & Greer Cannady, and Judy Taylor

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS EVENT OR TO VOLUNTEER FOR FAMILY ACTIVITIES:
RAINTREEACTIVITIES@GMAIL.COM



Blue-Green Algae Present in the Duck Pond!

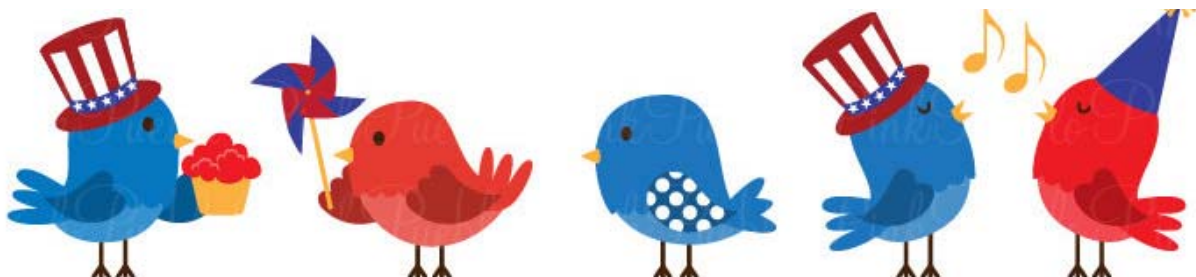
Signs are posted and red flags are flying at the Duck Pond. Currently this is the only area that has been spotted. Blue-green algae is most often blue-green in color, but can also be blue, green, reddish-purple, or brown. Blue-green algae generally grows in lakes, ponds, and slow-moving streams when the water is warm and enriched with nutrients. When environmental conditions are just right, blue-green algae can grow very quickly. Most species are buoyant and will float to the surface, where they form scum layers or floating mats. Concerns associated with blue-green algae include discolored water, reduced light penetration, taste and odor problems. **Can blue-green algae make me sick?** Yes, it is possible for blue-green algae to cause illness. Blue-green algae are capable of producing several different toxins. People may be exposed to these toxins through contact with the skin (swimming), through inhalation (motor boating or water skiing), or by swallowing contaminated water. These toxins affect the skin and mucous membranes, and can cause allergy-type reactions, asthma as well as headaches, fever, and gastroenteritis. **Can blue-green algae make my pet sick?** Animals are not necessarily more sensitive than humans, but many animals enjoy being in the water. Animals may consume large quantities if they drink the water and if the blue-green algae happens to be producing toxin(s), the animals can become very ill. Measures to take to protect yourself: Do not swim in water that looks like "pea soup", green or blue paint or that has a scum layer or puffy blobs floating on the surface. Do not boat, water ski, etc. over such water. Do not let children play with scum layers, even from shore. Do not let pets or livestock swim in or drink water.

Source information <http://dnr.wi.gov/lakes/bluegreenalgae/>

Teens for Hire

Call Office to update 537-7576

Name	Age	Services	Telephone
Marissa	17	Child care, pet care and house sitting	210-7396
Hunter Nicole	16	Child care, CPR Trained	726-7154 or 682-5944
Lindsey	16	Babysitting, dog walking, LS Parks & Rec. CPR trained	816-728-5158
Madeleine	16	Babysitting & Dog sitting has Lee's Summit Park & Rec. babysitting boot camp training	816-392-4754
Grace	15	Baby sitting, Math Tutoring, After-school Child Care, House Watching	673-6839
Kali	17	Child care	913-306-0605
Shay	14	Dog walking, sitting, babysitting, LS Parks & Rec. CPR Trained	456-6642
Jayme	14	Babysitting	309-9364
Kyle	17	Lawn mowing & trimming. Small engine repair/ maintenance and odd jobs.	816-225-8322
Jacob	14	Dog/pet sitting and babysitting.	853-2226
Olivia	15	Child care and dog walking	838-5540
Jacob & Paul (14)	17	Lawn mowing and trimming. Dependable.	816-223-7656
Noah	17	Lawn mowing, trimming, clearing off driveways, dog walking, pet sitting. Very dependable.	816-289-8019
Michael	16	Mowing & trimming	816-721-7555
Alyssa	13	Babysitting	816-366-0119
Ashlyn	13	Child care	913-299-7466





Raintree Lake Garden Club



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Patricia Jones, Roberta Prudden and Toni Trivalent were our lovely hostesses for the May Garden Club meeting, which was held at **Nick's Greenleaf Gardens Nursery**. This is the eighth year the garden club has held a planting party at Nick's. Even though it was a rainy May evening the members had a fun time socializing in the greenhouse filled with beautiful flowers, planting their flower pots at the potting table, picking out flowers for their yards and enjoying the delicious refreshments provided by the hostesses.

Loretta and Nick Rivard.

The members would like to thank Nick and Loretta Rivard for opening up their nursery once again to the club for another fun filled evening.



Roberta Prudden playing peek-a-boo in the flowers.



Container Gardening using the Thriller, Filler, Spiller Technique:

Do you know what thriller, filler or spiller plants are and how to use them in container gardening?

* **Thriller Plants** are plants with height that add drama and a vertical element to the combination. They can either be flowering or foliage plants or ornamental grasses. Thrillers are generally put either in the center or at the back of the container.

* **Filler Plants** tend to be more rounded or mounded plants and make the container look full. Fillers are generally placed in front of, or around the Thrillers. Fillers should be placed midway between the edge of the container and the Thrillers. If the Thriller is in the center of the container, the Fillers should surround it.

* **Spiller Plants** are added last to containers. Spillers are trailing plants that hang over the edge of the container. If the container is going to be viewed from all sides, Spillers should be placed on all sides. If the container is going to be viewed from only one side, Spillers should be placed in front of the container.

Gardening Quotes:

"My garden is my most beautiful masterpiece." Claude Monet

"Earth laughs in flowers." Ralph Waldo Emerson

"Flowers always make people better, happier and more helpful. They are sunshine, food and medicine to the soul." Luther Burbank

Raintree Lake Garden Club

YOU'RE INVITED

to the Next Scheduled Garden Club Meeting on July 15th @ 7:00PM for an evening of Food, Fun, & Fellowship with Gardening Topics!

More info.? Contact

Rita Madison

@ 816-223-6210,

ritamadison@comcast.net



Written by: Rita Madison

Produced and Edited by: Laurie Krawchuk

PREVENT ZEBRA MUSSELS!



Please do not take your boat and trailer to ANY OTHER body of water and then bring it back to Raintree Lake without following the Zebra Mussel prevention regulations. Cleaning requires a power wash, including the trailer with heated water and a quarantine/drying period. Washing alone is not sufficient due to the residual water left in live wells, the bilge, ballast tanks, and other compartments. The only safe procedure is to have your watercraft sit out for the appropriate time to dry. The quarantine time for the months of June through September is 7 days.

The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) advises that 104° F water, typical of a normal car wash, is adequate to kill Zebra Mussels with a 20 minute exposure of the hot water, and 140° F is adequate to kill Zebra Mussels with a 10 second exposure. It is reported that the Greenwood Car Wash at 1103 W. Main St. (next to Casey's) has a bay that has been retrofitted to produce 140° F water at the wash nozzle - the east bay (the bay closest to Casey's.) This bay is currently identified as a "Truck Wash" bay, but it will include designation as a "Boat Wash" bay also in the future. This Boat Wash bay is currently the only known 140° F power wash station available in our area for residents to use for watercraft washing. Please take the potential threat of zebra mussels seriously. If you have any questions, please contact the Raintree Office at 537-7576.

***Spread the Message - Not the Mussel!!
Once a lake has them, there is no going back!!***



The Raintree Adult Pizza Party in June was well-attended and an enjoyable evening for all! Thank you to all the volunteers who made it a great success!!

Mark your calendars and plan to attend the August 7th Pizza Party!!



Overcome the Fear of Snakes

Some people have such a dread of snakes that they actually avoid going outdoors to fish, hunt, hike, or picnic. Others kill every snake they see. This is too bad, both for the people who let the fear of snakes keep them from enjoying nature, and for nature itself. It's relatively easy to avoid direct encounters with snakes, and all snakes — even venomous ones — help control populations of rodents and other pests. Getting to know the kinds, natural history, and distribution of Missouri's snakes can help you overcome your fear of them and appreciate their role in nature.



Missouri's Wildlife Code Protects Snakes

Few Missourians realize that all snakes native to our state are protected. *The Wildlife Code of Missouri* treats snakes, lizards, and most turtles as nongame. This means that there is no open season on these animals, and it is technically unlawful to kill them. There is a realistic exception, however: when a venomous snake is in close association with people, which could result in someone being bitten. We hope that more people realize that snakes are interesting, valuable, and, for the most part, harmless.

Snakebites are Rare

Contrary to popular belief, snakes do not go looking for people to bite. In fact, snakes are more afraid of you than you are of them. As Jim Low says in his *Snakebytes* blog post, "Snakebite ranks just above falling space debris as a threat to human life."

Fun to Study, Important to People and Nature

Missouri, with its variety of wildlife habitats, is home to a total of 47 species and subspecies of snakes. The majority (88 percent) of our snakes are harmless. All snakes eat other animals and are classified as carnivorous. They play an important role in controlling rodent populations, and they also serve as a food source for other wildlife, such as hawks, owls, mink, skunks, and herons. Although many of our harmless snakes will bite to defend themselves, usually their bite produces nothing more than simple scratches. Many kinds of snakes, both venomous or nonvenomous, will vibrate their tails when alarmed or threatened.

How to Tell Venomous from Nonvenomous Snakes

Venomous snakes

All venomous snakes native to Missouri are members of the pit viper family. Pit vipers have a characteristic pit located between the eye and nostril on each side of the head. They also have a pair of well-developed fangs. Note the shape of the pupil. The pupils of venomous snakes appear as vertical slits within the iris. Our venomous species all have a single row of scales along the underside of the tail. Missouri's venomous snakes include the copperhead, cottonmouth, western pygmy rattlesnake, massasauga rattlesnake, and timber rattlesnake. The western diamond-backed rattlesnake and coral snake are not found in Missouri. The most common venomous snake in Missouri is the copperhead. To our knowledge, there have only been two human deaths attributed to venomous snakes in Missouri: a 1933 timber rattlesnake bite and a 1965 copperhead bite.

Nonvenomous snakes

Harmless snakes have round pupils and a double row of scales along the undersides of their tails. A triangle-shaped head doesn't necessarily mean danger. Although the venomous snakes have a somewhat triangle-shaped head, several harmless species, such as watersnakes, gartersnakes, and hog-nosed snakes, can and do flatten their heads, which can cause them to appear triangular.

Discourage Snakes From Buildings

Although snakes are an interesting and natural part of our outdoors, there may be times and places where their presence is unwanted. Venomous snakes have no place around human dwellings, and even harmless species may cause problems because most people fear them. There are no really effective means of eliminating snakes completely, but it is possible to discourage them around homes by the same method effective for controlling other animal pests — eliminating their food and shelter. Piles of boards, fence posts, dump heaps, slabs of roofing paper, scrap corrugated steel roofing, burlap, slabs of bark, and piles of rocks provide hiding places for snakes and the food they eat. Removing these attractions and generally tidying up are the best ways to keep the premises free of snakes. Inspect foundations, doors, and low windows to make sure there are no openings where snakes might enter. It is recommended that any harmless snake encountered be captured with a hoe or stick and released unharmed in an isolated, safe habitat.

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Summer Maintenance



Before you start your summer maintenance on your homes, **remember that exterior changes may need approval from the Architectural Review Board (ARB).** To accommodate residents' needs, the ARB meets the first and third Monday of each month. Applications to be considered need to be turned into the office the Thursday prior to the meeting. Here are some of the items that have to be approved: Roof Replacement, Exterior Paint (repainting existing color or new color choice), Fences, Pools, Decks/Patios, Retaining Walls, Play Equipment, Dog Pens and Driveways. This is to name a few. **Failure to receive prior approval will result in a \$200 fine.** ARB applications are available online at www.rlpoa.com or at the office. Refer to your directory for the full list or call the office for assistance at 816-537-7576. We are here to guide you.

Raintree Summer Office Hours

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COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Common Grounds Meeting Minutes June 16, 2015

Duck Pond Activity Center 7:00PM

Present: Rich Bird, Kathy Goldman, Robert Dye, Marsha Hosick, Roberta Prudden, Sue Rusco

Guests: Raintree View Committee members, Allan Dancy, Brenda Miller, and Stan Spruill, plus John Hustad

Raintree View presented an idea to get seedlings from the Missouri Department of Conservation and start a tree farm at Raintree. Everyone present thought the idea viable and worthy of pursuit.

John Hustad presented his concerns regarding the excessive growth of vegetation and algae in the ponds. His property is close to Beaver Pond.

Old Business:

Tyler Swope (Cobblestone) appealed the Raintree Board over the Common Ground decision to have him remove the 8 evergreens planted this year. His appeal was denied by the board.

Brian and Angela Mitchell (March Wren): Office and Board are aware of the drainage problem and have added the project to their priority list.

Flagpoles at Sunset Cove are in and Marsha reported they look fabulous!

Sapelo has been redesigned. All the rock was removed, the soil was bladed, plastic was placed under part of the front and back and the cobblestones were re-laid, landscape fabric was laid on the remaining area and mulch was added. Karl Foerster, St. John's Wort, and Missouri Primrose were planted June 2, 2015. Roberta suggested additional grasses be added to the front of the monument. We first have to see what survives this rain, consider the spread of the plants, and research short grasses. A major concern of the residents and cause of phone calls, emails, and comments to Paula has been vegetation that covers the plaque on the monument.

2016 Budget: Nick's invoice for the spring planting was received. Colonial's invoice for the order placed in January and the long bed at the Duck Pond has not been received. It is estimated that there is \$500 left in the committee account and fall mums will take about half.

New Business:

The committee promised itself that the majority of the July meeting would be spent on budget planning with the September 30th due date in mind. Each committee member needs to submit items to be placed on a priority list. Some items already submitted include replacement plantings, a new area based on our June field trip (Marsha will explain), Raintree Circle solution, Rain Garden at Marline, light kits for existing aerators, more aerators for Hidden Cove and other areas (if you have areas in mind please identify them), work on the area around the ponds, a pocket park at Sunset Cove. Regatta Islands renewal project, Serenity Garden at Serenity Point, a community vegetable garden, a putting green, park benches, trash cans.

Our Assignment:

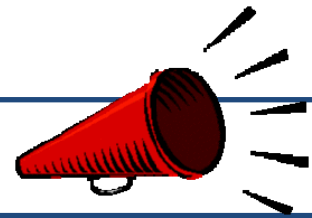
Submit your suggestions by email for consideration by June 30th.

We can prioritize our list and have it available for the July Common Ground meeting.

At the July meeting we can see the Raintree Board's priority list and compare it to ours. We can make changes when we all have a chance to listen to each other's opinion.

Then August can be devoted to pricing out what we all consider our top priority.

THE VILLA VOICE



Thanks go to those who helped arrange our outing to T-Bones in June and provided transportation! Nothing is planned for July so that residents can participate in the activities planned by Raintree Lake POA.

However, in August, the Villas' Activities Committee has been asked to coordinate the Raintree Adult Pizza Party on August 7th at the Clubhouse, which will require some "manpower! We will be responsible for setting up the round tables, chairs, serving tables for food, serving the pizza and clean-up! This will be a project that will require additional help from the residents of the Villas and not just the Activities Committee, which is comprised of women. We hope that those of you who attend the Pizza Party will volunteer to assist. Even if you haven't attended before, this would be a good time to attend the Pizza Party and enjoy helping your neighbors host this event. The pizza is provided to all Raintree residents at no cost and there are no dishes to wash!! Please call Nancy Brandell (537-9960) if you can and are willing to help.

Plans are under way for the Annual Picnic scheduled for Sunday, August 16th at 5:00 p.m. at the Duck Pond Activity Center. Watch for further information in the Shoreline plus a flyer will be delivered to your home toward the end of July with more specific information regarding complete menu and cost, reservations, etc. Questions should be directed to Pat Waters (366-0095) or Mary Lynn Tolle (537-6507).

RAINTREE VIEW MINUTES

JUNE 10, 2015

The committee met at 7 pm at the Clubhouse. Brenda Miller, Stan Spruill, and Allan Dancy were present.

A discussion was held on getting seedlings from the Mo. Dept. of Conservation and possible planting them on the perimeter. Cost would be minimal. Discussed the different types available and what would be best suited for our location.

After the discussion, the meeting was moved to the playground for a documented safety inspection of the swings and slides. The equipment is in overall good condition with no noticeable safety defects. Deep tire tracks in the surface of the playground showed evidence of vandalism; Brenda volunteered to rake and smooth the ground. Some trash was removed. An attempt will be made to remove the black scuff marks from the slides.

Scheduled meetings for the months of July and August are postponed. Special meetings may be called if needed. The next scheduled meeting will be on Sept. 9, 7 pm at the clubhouse.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm with Brenda still raking the playground.





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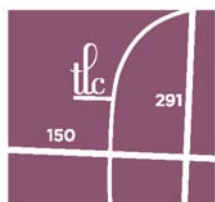
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