

SPRING 2022

# STONEY GLEN WEST

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## LETTER FROM HOA PRESIDENT

Hello Neighbors,

The Stoney Glen West (SGW) Homeowner Association (HOA) closes out another successful year, 2021. As the board continue to strive for normality from the COVID-19 Pandemic, we look forward to doing more quarterly activities. This year the SGW hosted National Night Out (NNO) in August, the October Fest and lit the neighborhood with the Christmas Illumination. The SGW HOA welcomed and thanked the 62nd District, Honorable Carrie E. Coyner, Carver Middle School Principal, Dr. Anthony J. McLaurin, Ed D, and our first responders from Chesterfield Fire and Police Department representatives for supporting our community. A big thank you to members of the Board of Directors; Don and Carol Ricker (Community Affairs), Hope Bean, Diane Leffert and their family members (Neighborhood Watch/Welcome Committee), Dave Leffert (Grounds & Landscaping) and Thomas Crawley (Treasurer) for doing such a phenomenal job hosting NNO. A special thanks to all the community volunteers who donated their time to make all the events a great success.

## WHAT'S NEW?

Letter from the President

Areas of Concern

- Speeding and Parking in the Neighborhood
- Exterior of Homes & Lawns Not Maintained
- Pet Owners: Please Scoop after Poop

Mark Your Calendar:

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- SGW Neighborhood Yard Sale
- National Night Out Celebration (NNO)

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In January 2022, the Board elected its Board of Director officers. The members will serve a two (2) year term: Roderick Piggott (re-elected), David Leffert (Re-elected), Hope Bean (Re-elected), and Thomas Crawley (Re-elected). The board thank all the homeowners who voted in the 2022 election. This year 2022, the SGW board welcome new volunteers. If you are interested being a SGW volunteer, please contact Mrs. Carol Ricker or Mrs. Hope Bean by email: board@stoneyglenwestest.org

A reminder, our regular schedule SGW HOA meetings are held on the third week of each month at the Chester Library, starting at 7 p.m. In an event the Chester, library is closed the meeting will be conducted via by Zoom. The date and time will be posted on SGW Facebook, Website or sent via e-mail with an access password. As your President, I look forward seeing everyone Face-to-Face at our next schedule activity or board meetings.

Roderick Piggott (AKA) Rod  
Stoney Glen West  
President

## NOTES FROM HOA BOARD MEMBERS

### Welcome New Neighbors

The Stoney Glen West Homeowners Association and community welcome all new neighbors who moved in this year! If you recently moved into Stoney Glen West and have not been contacted by a HOA Board Member, please contact us.

Welcome Committee Chair: Rod Piggott at 804-370-1509

### Architectural Review Board (ARB)

We are working alongside homeowners and doing everything possible to ensure our residents have a quiet, safe, clean neighborhood where property values continue to improve. We ask that residents do their part by keeping their homes and lawn well maintained. Please contact the ARB in writing prior to making any exterior changes to your property (home or land) to ensure your changes meet all the requirements outlined in the SGW Association Covenants and Community Standards.

<https://www.stoneyglenwest.org/resources/covenants/>

ARB Committee Chair: Dave Foley at 804-768-0157

## AREAS OF CONCERN

### Speeding in Neighborhoods

PLEASE be conscious while driving in our neighborhood. SGW does not have sidewalks in Lippingham or Nairn therefore pedestrians must walk on the roads. The streets are narrow, and we are experiencing more cars speeding and disregarding the STOP signs. Keep your speed limit below 25mph while in the neighborhood to provide safety to our children and neighbors who are out walking and/or running.

### Parking in Neighborhood

The Board has received numerous complaints about overnight parking on the streets. Please be mindful and do not park your vehicles, trailers, boats, RVs etc. in areas that may be hard for pedestrians/children to walk or ride their bicycles. There is a county code prohibiting certain vehicles from parking on residential streets. The Chesterfield County Code Section 13-42 reads in part.. "No truck having wheels of the dual - tire type in excess of 6000lbs shall be parked on any road in the county within any residential district as defined in the zoning ordinance".

### Exterior of Homes & Lawns Not Maintained

The SGW HOA continues to receive complaints about the exterior of homes and lawns not being maintained. If you fall in this category, please help our neighborhood by doing your part in keeping your grass mowed, shrubs trimmed/pruned, and home owner washed, and mailbox/post maintained. Your home and lot should be maintained in accordance with the Covenants and Community Standards found in Book 2112; page 263; Section 1.6 Maintenance.

## Community Affairs (CA)

Last year (2021) was a busy year, in spite of the pandemic and social restrictions. We had a spring yard sale, but there was so little participation that the fall yard sale did not develop. Once again, the generosity of this neighborhood shone through with the Chesterfield/CH Christmas Mother program. Stoney Glen West sponsored 80-year-old great-grandparents that are raising their 4 great-grandchildren. The response was overwhelming. The children received clothing, toys, and books that were on their wish list; and the grandparents received over \$150 worth of gift cards for groceries, and much needed clothing. I am sure that this family had a wonderful Christmas, thanks to SGW residents and residents' friends and family. We were able to plan an adult Oktoberfest event at the playground. Those that responded had plenty to eat, drink, and activities included socializing and dancing.

For 2022 we are planning the following:

- Spring and fall yard sale (April and October)
- Resident car show/kids' activities, food etc. (May)
- National Night Out (NNO) (August 2, 2022)
- Food bank donations (from residents)
- Christmas Mother family
- Christmas Eve luminaries (we may ask everyone to place luminaries in front of their own home because we can't seem to get enough people to do all neighborhoods)

Community events are sent to residents via email and posted on the SGW Facebook pages. If you are not receiving an email with SGW information, please update your email address with the SGW Board.

If you have a Facebook account, please join the SGW Page. There are beneficial posts on Facebook for the residents of SGW.

CA Committee Chair: Carol Ricker at 804-768-6777

## Grounds and Landscaping (G&L)

Spring is fast approaching, and we will start to have nice days to get our homes looking nice. Cleaning up our yards - picking up branches, raking up leaves, removing mold from the siding, cleaning up the mailboxes - these are some of the inexpensive things that go a long way to improving the value of our homes and the neighborhood in general. Spring is also a good time to weed and feed the yard, prune our trees, and put down mulch. For anyone needing paint for the mailbox post, I have containers for \$2. If the mailbox needs to be refreshed, black spray paint (gloss) is available at many stores. If your mailbox needs to be replaced, Lowe's carries the same size/color as your current one. If your post needs to be replaced, please contact the board or me.

We are reviewing offers for the landscaping of our entrance ways and hope to have a new contract by April 1, 2022. We appreciate your patience as we continue to work with VDOT on road and sidewalk issues within our neighborhoods.

G&L Committee Chair: Dave Leffert at 804-892-6383

## Pet Owners: Please Scoop After Poop

Please be considerate when walking your dogs and pick up any deposits that they make. It is not respectful to other residents when pet owners are not cleaning up after their pets

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

### CINCO DE MAYO CAR SHOW

Date: Saturday May 7, 2022

Time: 4pm - 7pm

Where: SGW Playground

Who: All SGW Residents, Children and their guests

Donations: We will be collecting canned goods for the Chester Food Bank

RSVP: Carol Ricker, email rickercb@gmail.com no later than March 30, 2022

### SGW Neighborhood Yard Sale

Date: Saturday May 14, 2022

Time: 8am - 4pm

Where: Personal Residence

Who: All SGW Residents

### ANNUAL 2022 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT (NNO)

Date: Tuesday August 2, 2022

Time: 6pm - 9pm

Where: SGW Playground

Who: All SGW Residents, Children and their guests

RSVP: Hope Bean, email letuvai47@yahoo.com no later than July 25, 2022



## Neighborhood Watch (NW)

Thank you to the following residents for joining the Neighborhood Watch committee: Diane Leffert (Lippingham); Heydi Marshall, Jay Carroll, Steve Thompson (Hampstead); Diane Almond, Jomarys Campbell (Nairn). The purpose of Neighborhood Watch is to keep our neighbors informed on crime prevention programs, develop community awareness, the proper response to suspected or actual criminal activities and how to prepare and respond in the event of disasters.

Mark your calendars for this year's National Night Out Kick-off at the Chesterfield County Fairgrounds on June 4, 2022, from 1pm – 5 pm AND our very own SGW Community National Night Out at the SGW Playground on August 2, 2022, from 6pm – 9 pm. We look forward to seeing you there!

Chesterfield County offers FREE training programs designed for residents. I attended the Citizen Police Academy with Diane Leffert (NW Board Member). This course gave us such an appreciation for our Police Officers who protect and serve our community 24/7, 365 days a year.

Below is a list of Citizen Academies offered by Chesterfield County. Citizen academies enable residents of a community to become more familiar with the day-to-day operations of the departments and agencies of their local government. These academies provide experiences to better understand the procedures, responsibilities, guidelines, policies and laws that guide decision-making:

**Citizens Fire Academy** gives a unique insight into what it is like to be a firefighter. Each session will provide participants with information about fire department operations and how they can become citizen firefighters.

**Citizen Police Academies** The Chesterfield County Police Department offer three citizen police academies: Citizens, Hispanic Community and Teen Citizens. Chesterfield County residents have the opportunity to gain a thorough understanding of police practices and procedures.

**Government Citizens Academy** allows Chesterfield residents to learn about their local government through interactive sessions and optional tours of facilities. Participants receive a comprehensive look at the how and the why of local government programs.

**Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)** training is designed to prepare people to help themselves, their families, their neighbors, and their workplaces in the event of a disaster. More than 1000 residents have completed Chesterfield's initial CERT training and participate in outreach events, disaster exercises, and continuing education training throughout the year. Classes are offered several times a year and are free. For more info, please visit <https://www.chesterfield.gov/385/Community-Emergency-Response-Team-CERT> or call the CERT Coordinator at 804-751-CERT.

Link to the Crime Prevention Newsletter:

January/February Issue:

<https://www.chesterfield.gov/DocumentCenter/View/2279/Jan-Feb-2022-Newsletter-PDF> Previous issues: <https://www.chesterfield.gov/956/Neighborhood-Watch>

NW Committee Chair: Hope Bean at 804-519-3049



## **HOMEOWNER TIPS**

Spring is here and we are sharing a list that may be of help to kick off your spring cleaning.

### Exterior Spring Home Maintenance

#### **Spruce Up Your Lawn and Landscaping**

Trim any overgrowth and clear your landscaping. Spring is also the best time to tidy up flowerbeds and give them a good facelift. You can also use dead organic matter from the compost pile as fertilizer. Add a layer of gravel on top of the soil to suppress weeds. Make sure to use compacted soil in low areas of your yard as rain can cause foundation damage and flooding.

Tend to your lawn now to ensure lush green grass during summer. Start by raking the lawn deeply to get rid of thatch and dead grass. This will also allow fertilizer and seed to penetrate easily. After cultivating, ensure that the lawn is firmed and ready for sowing. Try a shade-tolerance seed mix if your yard has a lot of tree cover or use a hard-wearing mix if your lawn gets a lot of traffic in the summer. Bald patches should be overseeded. Apply nitrogen fertilizer to give your grass a boost.

If you plan on growing vegetables, prepare the beds by getting rid of weeds and forking in garden compost. Cover the beds with plastic sheets to keep the soil warm until you are ready to sow the plants.

#### **Take a Look at the Roof**

Even if your roof didn't take a beating from snowy conditions, spring is still a great time to give it a once over. Safety first: If you're using a ladder, make sure it's stable before you attempt to climb. Look for missing or damaged shingles and signs of leaking or cracking. Contact a professional in case of any issues.

You may also consider removing stains on your roof during spring. If you notice any dark streaks, algae are the likely culprit. The only harm in that case is cosmetic. If you notice moss, on the other hand, you should definitely clean it. Moss can cause asphalt shingles to lift, curl or blow off in high winds. To clean algae or moss, apply a solution of equal parts bleach and water. After about 15 minutes, rinse it off. Don't pressure wash or scrub as you might damage the shingles.

#### **Clean the Gutters**

Clean all debris and leaves out of the downspouts and gutters. Reattach the gutters if they are sagging or consider replacing them if they are beyond repair. Notice any holes? Prevent leaks by caulking them. Keep in mind that downspouts should face away from your home to improve drainage.

### Help Wanted

Your Homeowner's Association is comprised of 100% volunteers. We need more people to volunteer their time, talents, and ideas. Please consider volunteering on one of the committees to help share the load. Everyone benefits from a strong and connected neighborhood. If you are interested in helping **YOUR COMMUNITY**, contact a Board Member for more information.

### Suggestions/Ideas

Do you have any recommendations in making the playground, SGW entrances and/or common areas better or have an idea with improving our current curbside appeal? Your SGW HOA welcome any and all suggestions/ideas to help make our community a safe and fun place to live. Please contact us at [board@stoneyglenwest.org](mailto:board@stoneyglenwest.org) or call a board member listed in this newsletter.

### SGW Community Email Blasts

In an effort to update our records and keep the communication smooth and accessible between residents and board members, the Association has an email blast account for community notices. This helps alleviate the high cost of community mailings. If you wish to receive notifications regarding issues in the community, please email the [board@stoneyglenwest.org](mailto:board@stoneyglenwest.org) with the following information:

Homeowner Name(s)

Street Address

Email

Address(es)

### Inspect the Concrete

Take a walk around your home and check for cracking along the driveway, pool deck or walkways. Fill cracks using silicone caulk or concrete fillers. If concrete cracks are beyond this simple fix, consider replacing the concrete altogether.

### Run Outside Faucets

Test outside faucets by first letting them run. Place your finger over the opening. If the flow of water stops, you may need to call a professional to inspect your pipes. Also, look for any signs of leaking.

### Give Your AC Some Attention

Remove debris from around the unit, replace filters and clean ducts and vents. If your filters are clogged, air can't easily pass through and your unit must work harder to cool your home. Clogged filters can lead to lower air quality in your home. Don't skip this step; you may be able to lower your energy consumption by up to 15%.

You can also schedule a professional tune-up. An expert AC technician can check your system's efficiency, check coolant levels and address any issues before the summer heat arrives.

### Check Out the Deck

When inspecting your deck, look for water stains, warping or discoloration. Watch out for loose or rusty nails and perform any necessary maintenance to secure stairs and railings. If you find lifting or rotting boards, replace them.

### Repair and Reseal Woodwork

Rails, fences, trellises and other wood features need some love, too. These structures are prone to decay and rot if left alone.

If you have wooden fences, repair any damage to the panels. Split or broken pieces can be glued back together if the wood is dry. Support the pieces with tape as the glue sets. Replace planks that are too damaged for repair.

Use a power washer to revitalize tired wood, then use wood oils and wood preservatives to protect it. Decking oil is the best for fence treatment because it keeps the wood supple and water-resistant. Exterior wood oil helps preserve your wood and can prolong the life of your fence.

### Run the Sprinklers

Give your sprinklers a test run. Keep an eye out for leaks and malfunctioning sprinkler heads. Make sure the sprinklers are watering your grass and not porches or sidewalks.

### Inspect Windows and Doors

Fix or replace the screens on windows and doors to keep bugs from entering your home. This is also a good time to wash your windows. Clean the tracks and seals with a vacuum attachment or a soft brush before you start washing the panes.

Don't forget to clean the weep holes on storm windows. Test that these essential drain holes are open by pouring some water into the sill. You can also use a thin wire to clear out the holes.

Finally, check for tall grasses or stagnant water near your windows. Stagnant water can be a breeding ground for mosquitoes.

## SGW HOA BOARD MEMBERS

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