

# MAY 2020 CSPOA NEWSLETTER

**SPECIAL EDITIONS** – As you may have noticed, we have had a few issues with scheduling things that we normally do in the spring and summer months.

Because of this, we will be sending out special editions of the newsletter as schedules can be firmed up – or as things change.

**POOL** - Pool season is right around the corner and the CSPOA pool committee has been planning for what we assume will be a challenging start of summer. The pool has a **tentative** open date of June 6, 2020; but to ensure the safety of our community, we will continue to adhere to the CDC guidelines concerning COVID-19 for as long as they are in place.

The board and pool committee welcome all input on reopening the pool; please send your thoughts to [cspoapool@gmail.com](mailto:cspoapool@gmail.com).

**COMMITTEES** – We are currently looking to build our committee teams! Please contact [cspoabkpr@gmail.com](mailto:cspoabkpr@gmail.com) if you are interested in serving on one of the following committees: (time commitment for these is minimal)

1. Welcome committee
2. Grounds committee
3. Finance committee

We also encourage you to consider becoming more involved with our HOA board. Currently we have a full board, but we feel strongly about rotating board seats and officer positions. This helps bring in new, fresh ideas and gets a larger percentage of neighbors involved in what we do. Serving on a committee will give you a chance to understand how we operate. We live in a great community and with increased support we can accomplish bigger, better things!

**CSPOA FALL GARAGE SALE** – We have decided not to have a summer garage sale, but we do, as of right now, plan to proceed with the fall sale. This is subject to change as we adhere to CDC guidelines.

If you already have several items and don't want to wait until the fall, don't forget about charities that would be happy to have your unwanted items. One of our

members is associated with Big Brothers Big Sisters Think Big Foundation. Last year, they came the day after our fall garage sale & picked up unsold items at the curb the day after the sale.

They may or may not be willing to come to a single home in the neighborhood, but you could certainly drop items off in their purple collection bins. (An excuse to get out of the house but still not have contact with other people?)

**HILL TENNIS COURTS** - When locking the lock on the Hill's tennis court, it must be on the right code (0518), it must be held closed -- while the numbers are spun off code, then released. Some people are unable to relock it because they don't know that process. **ALSO, DO NOT GIVE THE CODE TO ANYONE WHO IS NOT CSPOA RESIDENT.**

**ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE** – Prior to modifying or constructing any structures on your property, you are to submit a form to each member of the Architectural Committee in your neighborhood. Per Article VII of the CSPOA Amended Declaration of Restrictions, Covenants, and Conditions, any exterior alterations to structures must be approved in advance by the committee. We have a form for the Architectural Committee, please email [cspoabkpr@gmail.com](mailto:cspoabkpr@gmail.com) for a form.

**YARD WASTE** – If you are in need of yard waste pick up, here is a website about the fellow who's been hauling yard waste for the neighborhood – <http://cronpost.wix.com/yardwaste>. Take pride in your yard and house and let's keep our neighborhood looking nice.

**TRASH CANS AND RECYCLING** – When putting your trash and recycling cans out, please leave at least 2-3 feet between them. When they are too close together, it makes it difficult for the arms on the truck to grab the cans. **DO NOT PARK CARS ON THE STREET WHERE IT BECOMES DIFFICULT FOR THE TRASH TRUCK TO GET TO THE CANS.** Trash cans need to be put up after the trash is picked up; do not leave them out on the street. Please remember to recycle when you can. Aim for zero waste! When recycling boxes, please try to break them down before you place them in your bin. Email [cspoabkpr@gmail.com](mailto:cspoabkpr@gmail.com) with any questions.

## REMINDERS

- Please add [cspoabkpr@gmail.com](mailto:cspoabkpr@gmail.com) to your address book along with [cspoanews@gmail.com](mailto:cspoanews@gmail.com). This email is for ALL of your CSPOA questions.
- Whether it is a question about dues, trash service, garage sale dates, architectural committee or any other question related to CSPOA, email [cspoabkpr@gmail.com](mailto:cspoabkpr@gmail.com)
- Garage doors should be down when not in use.
- It goes against the Neighborhood Covenants and City Ordinance to have any part of your vehicle in your lawn.

**NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY REMINDER** – Please report any illegal/criminal activity or possible/suspicious activity to the Springfield Police Department as they occur. Reports of vandalism and crimes help the police department to focus their efforts. The 911 dispatch center requests that all reports be made using the 911 number even when the call is not of an emergency nature. Also make your Neighborhood Association aware of these issues, or any concerns/questions, by contacting the Neighborhood Watch Coordinator, Patrick Boyle at 417-597-4107.

**WEB SITE** – One of our board members will be working to update and improve our website. Please stay tuned for details. In the meantime,

**CSPOA FACEBOOK** - Request to join Cinnamon Square Property Owner's Association Facebook page for information on happenings in the neighborhood.

**CONNECT – NEXTDOOR:** Just a reminder that the CSPOA Yahoo group has been discontinued in favor of the Cinnamon Plus Nextdoor group for Neighborhood Watch and safety concerns.

Please join the Cinnamon Plus Nextdoor website. It appears to be very well designed and can be an asset to our neighborhood. All of the neighborhoods around us already have their own Nextdoor groups. Please click here to get started: <https://nextdoor.com/invite/dsfajkammpeyjfvbsbcvf>