

Spring 2012

PARKS OF DUTCHTOWN

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The HOA meeting scheduled for May 5th has been canceled. Check FB and message board for next meeting.

Monthly Sponsors

We would like to offer the availability to advertise business' owned by Parks of Dutchtown residents (or the business' you work for..). You can "sponsor" the newsletter for \$75.00 and we can have up to 4 sponsors per newsletter. The \$75.00 per spot will be used for the printing of the newsletter and for social events held in the subdivision for our homeowners. Please let me know as soon as possible if you would like to advertise. Spots will be filled on a first come first serve basis.



SRING FLING MAY 12, 2012

Come join all of your fellow neighbors for a day of fun in the sun at the pool! We are going to have a great, big potluck with extras provided by RE/MAX Plus and EATEL.

Festivities will begin at approximately 2pm.

Please bring a dish, a chair, and a cooler stocked with your favorite beverages, and be prepared to meet a bunch of your neighbors for the first time, or just get reacquainted with them again.

If you are interested in helping out in any way, please let us know. All of our contact info is on the last page of this newsletter.

POOL BRACELET ACTIVATION

Please be advised that on the evening of May 4th, 2012, all pool bracelets will be de-activated. On May 5th, starting at 9am, we will be at the pool, re-activating them until 5pm.

This is being done in order to eliminate bracelets from the system that have been either lost or stolen and to fix/replace bracelets that may not work.

If you can't make it on this day, we will have another day soon (look for updates on our Facebook page). Otherwise, you can send us an email (president@parksofdutchtownhoa.com) and Frank Hope will be able to assist you with making other arrangements.

Tax day has passed, but we can still help

Call Heather Bellanger or Ashley McQuiddy today at 769-8111.

Evening appointments in the subdivision are available to our neighbors.

Safety

By Vincent Iannelli, M.D., About.com Guide

Although you should make every effort to keep your kids safe year-round, it is especially important in the summer when most kids are out of school.

Hot temperatures and more time spent outdoors, perhaps unsupervised, can put kids' health and safety at risk, leading to a lot of accidents and tragedies this time of year.

Sun and Summer Heat

The most obvious hidden dangers in the summer simply have to do with the heat and can include:

- heat stress and heat stroke, which can be prevented. Keep kids well-hydrated, take fre-

quent breaks when playing outside, and watch for symptoms such as thirst, cramps, fatigue, dizziness, nausea, vomiting, headaches, and fever. Never leave a child or let her play in a hot car.

- getting burned on metal slides or other hot playground equipment.

- sunburns—although parents should be aware of the risks of not applying sunscreen or sunblock on their children, sunburns are still common (especially if lotions are not used properly.)

-never leaving a child unattended in a car, even for a few minutes, as a car can get hot

quickly, and be sure to always lock your car and secure your keys so that your kids can't play in your car and get trapped inside



The Ponds

While many kids, and adults, enjoy the ponds, please remember that there are dangers associated with these areas. There are dangerous snakes, snapping turtles, and many other animals that could cause harm. Please remember to use caution with all wild animals and be aware of your surroundings.

The speed limit in the neighborhood is 15 mph and stop signs are NOT optional. There are many small children in the neighborhood, and, as we all know, any one of them could dart out into the street at any time. So please use extreme caution while driving.

Babysitting



Board members are often asked if we know of babysitters in the neighborhood. If you or your teen is interested in being put on a list that can be distributed at request, please let us know. We will need your name, contact info, rates, qualifications (first aid, CPR, etc), times available, and anything else you may want to provide.



Join Our Facebook Page!!!

The Parks of Dutchtown has a Facebook page. It is a great place to get updates and keep up with your neighbors.

Join us at:

Parks of Dutchtown - Geismar, LA

Please keep all comments positive, as this is one of the things prospective homebuyers look at when deciding whether or not to purchase in our community.

POOL RULES

As it heats up outside, the pool becomes a popular destination. This is just a reminder of the pool rules. These are in place for everyone’s safety.

1. Hours: 7:00 AM to 9:00 PM
2. Pool gate must be closed and locked at all times.
3. No glass containers allowed. No alcoholic beverages allowed.
4. No cutoffs allowed. Swimmers must wear appropriate apparel.
5. No children in diapers (cloth or disposable) allowed in the pool. Swim diapers are allowed.
6. No diving allowed.
7. No running, rough playing, or skateboarding allowed.
8. No cuts, open sores, bandages, or infectious diseases.
9. No animals or pets, except seeing-eye dogs and K-9 officers.
10. Guests must be accompanied by a homeowner. Only homeowners and their guests will be allowed in the pool area. All others will be asked to leave.
11. Children under 15 years of age must be accompanied by an adult to ensure the safety of their children.
12. Please remember to have your pool key with you when you use the pool.
13. Radios are for individual bathers’ pleasure. Please use low volume or headphones. Be considerate to others who might not want to listen to music.
14. The last person(s) is responsible for turning off all lights and closing/locking all doors and gates.



Have a business you want to advertise to your neighbors? Let us know, and we can get your add in the next newsletter.



ACC Board

Please submit an ACC request for all exterior home improvements such as fences, patio extensions, sheds, awnings, paint, driveway extensions, etc. Email requests to: ACC@parksofdutchtownhoa.com

Volunteers for members at large



VOLUNTEERS

Are you interested in getting involved with your Neighborhood Home Owner’s Association (HOA)? If so, send us an email with your contact information and then just show up at the next HOA Board Meeting. We will be selecting new members to help us out.



Be safe during the 101 days of summer

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*Please note, board members are volunteers and have their own full time jobs and families. Please be courteous to them and utilize email as your primary communication with them. If you must speak to a board member in person please respect their privacy and make an appointment to meet with them at a mutually agreeable time and place to avoid unnecessary disruption to their families.



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