

(photo submitted by Anne Holland)

August 23, 2019 Sterling Woods II – Master Association Monthly Newsletter Website: www.sterlingwoods2.org

Dear Unit Owners:

The Master Board and REI wish you an enjoyable Labor Day Weekend. Below are operational highlights here at Sterling Woods...

Flu Shot Clinic

The Association will once again sponsor a Flu Shot Clinic on Wednesday, September 25^{th} from 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM at the Platinum Club. Please see the attached sign up form.

Landscaping Update

Fall shrub inspection has begun. Trimming or pruning of shrubs will be done again in September. If any resident does not want pruning of their shrubs, they should contact Kim Murray to be placed on our "No Pruning List" before September 14th.

Bartlett Tree Experts will inspect and spray all pear trees that have webworm on August 23 or 24, weather permitting. The final inspection and treatment, where necessary, of all ornamental trees and shrubs in fronts and sides of units/houses for insect control, diseases and cultural problems that could affect plant health will be done by the end of September.

Political Sign Policy

Only one political sign - regarding candidates for election (town/city, state or federal) or political issues such as budgets, town/city rule/law changes - is allowed to be displayed at each unit. Signs are allowed to be displayed 14 days in advance of voting/election matters. Signs must be removed within 48 hours of the vote/election. Signs must be no bigger than 2'x 2'. Signs cannot be placed on the common or limited common elements (example: on steps, in driveway, on front lawn). Signs may be displayed inside a Unit window only.

Some routine reminders...

Maintenance Standards, which can be found in the Rules & Regulations, state that Unit Owners shall have the gas fireplace in their unit cleaned and serviced every five years. If you feel it is time for you to have your fireplace serviced, it is a good idea to schedule this work soon because when there is an issue in the colder months, it is very difficult to schedule an appointment with the contractor as it is their busy season. The same would apply to having your furnace serviced. We would like to remind all owners that dryer vents should be cleaned out at least once per calendar year. REI does offer this service. Unit Owners can contact Carl Webster at (203) 744-8400 ext. 131 or via e-mail at <u>cwebster@rei-pm.net</u> for more information regarding this service.

Smoke detectors should be tested every six months and batteries should be replaced in your smoke detectors at least once every calendar year (or as recommended by the manufacturer of the unit). Unit Owners should replace their smoke detectors every 10 years (or as recommended by the manufacturer of the installed unit). Remember to also change the batteries in your thermostats.

Please note that you can put your garbage containers at curbside for pickup either after dark on the night before pickup or on same day as pickup. Your garbage containers should be brought inside your Unit the same day as the pickup. Garbage containers should be stored inside your Unit.

Please make sure that you secure your garbage and recycling to prevent debris from blowing out of your containers due to windy conditions.

Please note that you, or your visitors, should not park a car on the road as it is not allowed and makes it difficult for other residents to get out of their driveways. Per the rules, the use of the visitor parking areas and/or any roadway as additional parking space is prohibited. This also applies to your guests or contractors you may have hired to do work in your unit. Please do not block the mailboxes as the mail will not be delivered if there is a car/truck parked in front of them.

The last scheduled day that the pool will be open for swimming is Sunday, September 15th. It is possible the closing date will be extended based on weather conditions.

The fall dumpster day program will be held on Saturday, October 19, 2019. More details will be provided as we get closer to the date.

The next holiday that will impact trash pick-up is Labor Day. That week the pickup will be on Tuesday, September 3, 2019.

The next Master Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 18, 2019 at 7:30 PM. The Open Session will begin immediately following the Executive Session which begins at 7:00 PM and ends at 7:30 PM. Let us know, one week in advance, if you would like to be placed on the agenda and the subject matter that you would like to cover.

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See the Association's website for meeting minutes and information about the various social clubs that are available to all residents here at Sterling Woods II – Bridge, Canasta, Computer, Poker, Mahjong and Sci-Fi Book Club.

If Kim or I can assist you in any way, please let us know. Kim's hours are approximately 7:30 AM until 2:30 PM. Her email address is <u>kmurray@rei-pm.net</u> and the on-site phone number is (203) 748-0859.

Sincerely,

Art Stueck - President REI Property and Asset Management

Attachment

Flu Shot Clinic September 25, 2019 - 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM At the Platinum Club

Pre-Registration Form

Please return this form to the Platinum Club by September 20, 2019

<u>On Wednesday, September 25 from 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM</u> the Bethel VNA will be at the Sterling Woods II Platinum Club to give flu shots.

The following insurance carriers will be billed directly by BVNA: Aetna, Anthem, BCBS, ConnectiCare, Harvard Pilgrim, Medicare Part B as well as Advantage Plans with Aetna, Anthem, BCBS and ConnectiCare. If you do not have one of the above carriers, payment can be made directly to BVNA via check, cash, debit or credit card on the day of the clinic. Charges for the 2019-20 Flu season will be \$40.00 for Preservative-Free Quadrivalent vaccine and \$60.00 for Preservative-Free High-Dose vaccine for ages 65+. <u>Please remember to bring your current medical insurance card on the day of the clinic and wear short sleeves</u>.

Anyone with the following health issues should not be vaccinated:

- 1. Previous adverse reaction to the flu vaccine
- 2. Severe, life-threatening allergy to eggs
- 3. History of Guillain-Barre Syndrome
- 4. Fever

Please fill out the information requested below and return this form to the REI on-site office located in the Platinum Club to secure a reservation. You can mail the form to Sterling Woods, The Platinum Club, 117 Silversmith Drive, Danbury, CT 06811 or you may also leave the form in the mailbox outside the Platinum Club or e-mail it to kmurray@rei-pm.net. If you have any questions, please call Kim Murray at (203) 748-0859.

This service is being offered as an accommodation to community residents. Sterling Woods Master Association assumes no liability by offering this accommodation.

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| | <u>Please check here if you are signing up someone in your family who is under 19</u> as there is a designated vaccine for children under the CT Vaccine Program for ages under 19 years. |