



April 20, 2020
Sterling Woods II – Master Association
Monthly Newsletter
Website: www.sterlingwoods2.org

Dear Unit Owners:

We hope this newsletter finds you doing well during this health crisis. Below you will find various updates, news and reminders. Your attention to these matters is appreciated.

Sterling Woods Updates & Information/Coronavirus

- The Board has decided to postpone the dumpster day service which was scheduled for May 16. Once rescheduled, we will let you know.
- The summer party, which was scheduled for June 12, has also been postponed. We will let you know if this does get rescheduled.
- At this time, the date the clubhouse will re-open has not been determined. We will let you know when it does.
- The cover will be taken off the pool and it will be made “swim ready” for Memorial Day Weekend. However, whether the pool will actually be open to residents is unknown at this time. We will keep you informed as the open date approaches.
- Our contractors should be practicing social distancing. We ask that residents not approach workers while on community grounds. If you have any concerns, contact Kim Murray at REI.
- We have noticed gloves and wipes on the ground and in wood line areas around the community. Please properly dispose of any litter back at your home. I would like to remind residents to not discard their dog waste bags on association grounds.
- With many residents at home, please keep in mind the parking rules. Do not park in the visitor’s lot or on the road. One car should be parked in your garage and your second car should be parked in your driveway.
- If you have an overflow pass, please make sure you are parked in the overflow parking spaces versus the visitor parking spaces.
- You are welcome to use the playground. Please note - you do so at your own risk and should use best practices if you choose to do so.

- The Maintenance Committee informed the Board that their spring walk around has been postponed. They will perform their walk around, looking for maintenance/repair needs, as soon as possible. If you feel there is a maintenance issue you would like to report, please let Kim from REI know.
- Updates will be posted on the Association's website – www.sterlingwoods2.org.

Assistance for Seniors from Danbury

The Age Well Council, Connecticut Community Care and United Way of Western Connecticut, are working together to help keep adults age 60+ healthy during COVID-19. All seniors should stay home and utilize grocery delivery services during the coronavirus outbreak. Services are available for home-bound seniors.

- CALL (203) 591-5485 if you are unable to utilize grocery delivery services.

VISIT agewellct.org for more information: HELP GETTING FOOD, VOLUNTEER, VIRTUAL EVENTS & COVID-19 INFO.

Danbury Mayor Live @ 5

Monday Through Friday, the mayor of Danbury, Mark Boughton, provides a live update at 5:00 PM on his Facebook page and posts the videos on the city website. They are very informative.

<https://www.facebook.com/cityofdanbury>

From REI Property Management

REI continues to function 24/7, 365 – as we normally do. You can contact Kim Murray by leaving a message at (203) 748-0859 or by sending her an e-mail at kmurray@rei-pm.net. If you have an emergency, you can call REI's main number (24/7) at (203) 744-8400 and hit 0.

Request from the Landscaping Committee

Volunteers Needed for Watering: The Landscape Committee needs assistance with watering, when they plant begonias in May. If we do not get volunteers, we may have to forego planting the begonias. Please contact Kim if you are willing to help us out with the watering.

Please note that Unit Owners should not take it upon themselves to clean up landscaping debris (raking an area, cleaning out branches from wood lines, etc.) and leave piles in the community for the landscaping company to pick up. If there is an issue near your unit you feel needs to be addressed, please let Kim know.

Landscaping Report

The Landscape Committee continues to meet via conference call with the vendors.

Eastern View did spring cleanup on March 3rd. On March 25th, mulch removal took place on Heartwood Lane, Bradford Drive and the SW Entranceway. Mulch was put down in these areas and added to the other areas in SWII the week of April 6th. Lawn repairs were done in certain areas on April 16th.

Lawn Doctor's first application will be on April 21st which will consist of fertilizer in a blanket application to all turf areas. In addition, an application of gypsum will be applied to designated areas.

Bartlett Tree, due to safety concerns, removed the following trees this month: a dead white pine located in the rear of 3001 Heartwood Lane and two ash trees and two cottonwood trees located at the right side of Silversmith Drive before Bradford Drive. These trees will not be replaced. Also, arborvitae at four locations were removed from around utility boxes – they were overgrown and obstructing the utility boxes – ornamental grasses will be planted around these areas in the near future. On March 31st, the first of four foliage treatments was done on the following trees: 28 crabapples, 21 purple plums and designated Bradford pears. These treatments help suppress anthracnose.

A few reminders to pet owners:

We have received e-mails regarding dogs being left out on a unit's deck and the dog barks, dog droppings not being picked up and bags filled with dog droppings being dumped in the community/into the woods – so I would like to remind you of the following:

- Please remember that you should not curb your dog close to any unit's patio or front grass area. Do not allow your pet to urinate close to other units, on mailbox stations, lampposts or other resident's flowers and shrubs.
- All pets must be on a leash and accompanied at all times while in the common areas. Pets are never to be tied up outside unattended, left on porches or decks unattended, or left to roam outside on their own.
- All pet owners or attendants are responsible to immediately pick up after their pet and properly dispose of the waste.

Board Meetings

In April, the Board held their meeting via conference call. If you would like to join the Wednesday, May 20th Sterling Woods Open Session Board meeting at 7:30 PM, which will be held via conference call, you can call (203) 666-8107 and then enter the conference ID number which is 40284996#. When you call in, you will be put into a "lobby" and when the meeting is ready to begin you will be "brought" into the meeting.

Please note - you will be muted during the meeting. But, you can listen in. If you have any questions you would like the Board to answer, you should e-mail your questions to Kim Murray at kmurray@rei-pm.net prior to the meeting or call and leave a message for Kim at (203) 748-0859. Your questions will be addressed at the end of the Open Session meeting.

Sign up to receive correspondence via e-mail

If you do not currently receive correspondence via e-mail, please consider providing us with your email address - it not only saves the Association money but you will receive the latest information quicker. US mail may not get you information in a timely fashion and it does incur additional costs for the entire community. E-mail Kim Murray if you would like to receive correspondence via e-mail.

Some routine reminders...

The next holiday that will impact trash pickup is Memorial Day. That week, the pickup will be on Tuesday, May 26, 2020.

If Kim or I can assist you in any way, please let us know. You can leave a message for her at (203) 748-0859 or e-mail her at kmurray@rei-pm.net or if you have an emergency or need immediate assistance, you can call REI's main number 24/7 at (203) 744-8400 and hit 0.

Sincerely,



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