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STONEBRIDGE RANCH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Vision Statement

To be the premier, large-scale, master-planned community of choice in North Texas.

Mission Statement

Preserve and enhance the quality and natural beauty of Stonebridge Ranch for our residents. Offer and maintain attractive amenities, active lifestyle opportunities and leadership which protects property values and the financial health of the community.

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In this month's issue of the magazine, you will see a new format as we switch to an all digital format. We hope you will like it.

This month's issue will feature articles on SRCA Board Election Candidates for the upcoming election, What is a Special Assessment and Why Do We Need One, What to Expect at the Annual Meeting, and How to Maximize SRCA Services, and How Voting Shapes the Community.

I want to take a moment to explain the process we used for selecting a

Landscape Architect for the Beach Club 2.0 project. When we began this project last July, we sent out a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to 15 firms. This response was narrowed to 9 firms that we sent a Request for Proposal (RFP) to in a competitive bidding process. After reviewing the responses and interviewing the firms, we selected three firms as finalists. Ultimately, after additional reviews, we selected Kimley-Horn as our Landscape Architect to manage the project.

Recently, there have been several comments on Social media that are false and misleading. It has been suggested the Board is taking bribes, receiving kickbacks and hiring their friends or relatives for this project. **Those statements are totally FALSE!!** Nothing could be further from the truth. **The Board has not** received any "kickbacks" or under the table payments, nor do any of the Board member have any relatives working for Kimley-Horn and none of them have ever been employed there.

These accusations are hurtful and harmful to the reputations of Board members who have put in hundreds of hours on this project to date and there is no reason for that kind of speculation.

We held three informational meetings on the Beach Club Project during January, two on week nights and one on Saturday morning with a total capacity of 180 attendees, total attendance was 88. We also held a Town hall meeting on the project on Saturday morning February 8 at Crossroads Church, 480 homeowners signed up to attend, 259 actually attended to get an update on the project.

If you ever have a question about SRCA service, send an email to STONEB@ciramail.com and our staff will gladly respond with accurate information.

Board Meeting, January 23, 2025

The Board meeting was called to order at 12:30 PM by President Dell'Antonia. All seven Board members were present. Also attending were Grand Manors Vice President of On-site Management, our General Manager, Assistant General Manager, Financial Manager, Lifestyle Director, Landscape and Grounds Director, the Association's Attorney and two staff members from the Power Group via Zoom.

Homeowners Open Forum

Six homeowners attended, four via Zoom and two in person. Five to observe and one homeowner to thank the Board for their diligent efforts.

Consent Agenda

Approved the December 12, 2024 BOD meeting minutes. We approved Priscilla Wertenberger as Chairperson of the Social Committee.

Old Business

We reviewed and approved the updated Board Usage Guideline, Activities and Events Sponsorship Program Guideline, Community Room Usage Guideline, Inclement Weather for Social Events Guideline, Social Committee Guideline, Board Authority to Override Guidelines, Handling Media Inquiries, Nominating Committee Guideline, Community Service Guideline, and Whistleblower Policy

New Business

The Board reviewed and approved the revision to the Bylaws. Only change was regarding Board members attendance to Board meetings.

We also reviewed and approved the Naming Rights Program Guidelines, Bylaw change for Payment of pre-constructions Costs for Beach Club 2.0, and Guideline for Requesting Legal Opinions.

We updated and approved several Village Modification Guidelines in a regular review of those guidelines to keep them current.

Association Reports

Our Financial Manager reviewed the December 2024 Financial Reports: Balance Sheet, Operating Fund Revenue and Expenses, Restricted and Non Restricted Investment Schedule, Summary of Accounts Receivable, Bad Debt Expense/Reserve, and the Investment Performance Report from Cadent Capital.

Executive Session

We accepted the Collections Committee Report, Violation Reports, Financial Variance Report, and Project Reports.

We reviewed and approved actions to be taken on the Foreclosure Report.

We approved funding for new audio/visual equipment for the Boardroom to improve the functionality available for use in the Boardroom.

We approved the 2025 Fence contract for repair and replacement.

We reviewed the water usage report for the year which was extremely positive. We used less water saving us over \$400,000. This is the payoff for all of the changes we have made to our irrigation system over the years. We are also investigating new irrigation controllers to give us even better control over our water usage.

We heard an update on the Aquatic Center Pool replastering project and a progress report on the Beach Club project.

The Association General Manager updated the Board on recent staff changes.

The Association's attorney updated the Board on current legal matters.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 PM.
Jon Dell'Antonia

Annual Meeting

March 13, 2025



It's that time of year again—the biggest event for the **Stonebridge Ranch Community Association (SRCA)** is just around the corner!

Join us for the **Annual Membership Meeting** (or just the “Annual Meeting”) on **March 13, 2025, from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.** at **Crosspoint Church** (2101 S. Stonebridge Drive, McKinney).

We're pleased to welcome **McKinney Mayor George Fuller** as our guest speaker for the evening.

Also coming up this month is the **SRCA Board of Directors Organizational Meeting** on **March 20, 2025, at 12:00 p.m.** in the Association Office boardroom (6201 Virginia Pkwy.).

Why is the Annual Meeting the Most Important SRCA Event of the Year?

- It's a legally required meeting per SRCA bylaws and Texas State Law (Texas State Property Code, Title 11, Chapter 209).
- We need a quorum (a minimum number of homeowners participating) for the meeting to officially take place. Each household counts as one, and the official meeting notice will include details on how you can help establish quorum. Check out the quorum article in this issue for more info.

- The SRCA Board of Directors will share key accomplishments from 2024.
- The fun part: **Two lucky homeowners who attend in person or help** establish quorum before the meeting will be entered into a drawing for a \$1,000 prize winning!*

Additionally, the election or appointment of directors follows the SRCA governing documents, including the [First Amendment to the Sixth Amended and Restated SRCA Bylaws](#). You can find these on our website: www.stonebridgeranch.com > [Who We Are > Governing Documents](#).

So, mark your calendars for March 13! If you can't make it in person, don't worry—we'll live stream the event. Keep an eye on our Friday Flash, [website](#), and the [SRCA Facebook Group](#) for updates along the way.

Remember: Homeowner participation is essential for the success of our Annual Meeting!

**Prize restrictions: Quorum for the 2025 Annual Meeting must be achieved for both drawings to occur. Two winners will be chosen at random from among all homeowners who help SRCA achieve quorum via online participation, absentee ballot, proxy option, or attendance at the March 13, 2025 Annual Meeting. Only one winner per household per year. The winners will be announced on the Stonebridge Ranch website by 3:00 PM on Friday, March 14, 2025, and the SRCA staff will privately notify each winning homeowner.*

Help Us Establish A Quorum

For The 2025 Annual Meeting

It's almost time for the **SRCA Annual Meeting on March 13, 2025**, but before we can get started, we need to **establish quorum**.

So, what is **quorum**? Simply put, it's the minimum number of homeowners who must participate for the meeting to be officially recognized. Without quorum, we can't conduct important association business!

The good news? Helping us reach quorum is easy, and you can do it in one of three ways:

1. Online Quorum Participation

The fastest and easiest way to participate! Use the online service to confirm your attendance or assign your proxy.

- ⇒ First, verify your **email address** is up to date in the **CiraNet resident portal**.
- ⇒ Quorum participation will be available via a secure third-party site from **NOON CST on Friday, February 21, to 6:30 p.m. CST on Thursday, March 13**.
- ⇒ If your email is on file, you'll receive an **encrypted link** from stonebridgeranch@ivotehoa.com.

Didn't get the link? No problem! Visit stonebridgeranch.ivotehoa.com/register, follow the instructions, and use your **account number** (found on your statement or resident portal) to complete your quorum participation.

2. Absentee Ballot or Proxy Participation

Prefer to handle things on paper? Use the **Absentee Quorum Participation Form** to confirm your attendance or assign a proxy (another SRCA member or the Board).

- ⇒ Pick up a form at the **SRCA office (6201 Virginia Pkwy., M-F, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.)**.
- ⇒ Drop it off at the SRCA office **via the mail slot** (bottom left side of the front door) any time before **12:00 p.m. on March 13, 2025**.
- ⇒ Or bring it to **Crosspoint Church on March 13, 2025, between 6:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.**

3. In-Person Quorum Participation

If you're planning to attend the **Annual Meeting in person**, you'll need to present a **valid photo ID** (Stonebridge Ranch ID or a driver's license with your property address) at check-in. Even if you plan to be there, we strongly recommend establishing quorum in advance using one of the options above—this helps ensure we meet our quorum requirement and reduces check-in wait times. **Arrive early so we can start and finish on time!**

Annual Meeting Details

- **Date:** March 13, 2025
- **Time:** Check-in from **6:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.**; Meeting from **6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.**
- **Location:** Crosspoint Church, 2101 S. Stonebridge Dr., McKinney, TX 75072

Bonus! By participating in quorum—whether online, by proxy, or in person—you'll be eligible for the **2025 Annual Meeting \$1,000 Prize Drawing!**

Your participation makes a difference—thank you for helping us reach quorum!



Board Elections 2025

Get To Know Your Candidates



JIM BUERKLE

Briefly introduce yourself. Include your background (business, volunteer or other experience), the number of years you've been a Stonebridge Ranch resident, etc.

My wife Judy and I have been married for 48 years, have two grown children and have lived in 7 different cities during our life together. We are 20-year residents of the DFW area, 14 of them in Highland Village and 10 in Stonebridge Ranch. We took a six year sabbatical in the Redmond WA area, in 2009, returning to Texas in the spring of 2014 in a work related assignment. I have spent four years serving as a member of the Board and liaison to two Committees: Social and the Landscape and Grounds Committee working closely with three different Landscape and Grounds Directors employed by our Management Company. In that time, the Landscape and Grounds Committee on two primary objectives: Identify and Correct the issues caused by previous management, and cost reduction. We have changed from Irrigation Consultants and Landscape Inspector consultants and significantly changed our method of operation. Rather than generically describe the responsibilities of the Landscape

Management Companies, we are prescriptively in the contract calling out key activities, periodicity of those activities, specifying in detail down to the content of the fertilizer and pre-emergent applied. In the process we not only are insuring we get what we pay for, we are also repairing the damage to the plant material caused by years of mismanagement. We also have completed a project to conserve water reducing total gallons consumed over the last 3 years. This is a major achievement given that water is 20% of our annual budget.

The Committee and the Landscape Director have not stopped. We have begun to implement a program to reduce the amount of mulch we consume annually by retrofitting mulch areas with woody stemmed plant material which will provide color and not require annual reapplication. We made the decision to replace annual color cost in the same manner. Annual Color requires constant water in the hot dry time of year, the plants we are replanting will provide color and less water. The net effect of these efforts are saving an estimated \$400,000 this fiscal year.

I look forward to serving the Community on the Board focused on reducing the amount of money we spend to keep Stonebridge Ranch the Premier Community it is.



JOE CLOSS

Briefly introduce yourself. Include your background (business, volunteer or other experience), the number of years you've been a Stonebridge Ranch resident, etc.

I am a retired US Navy officer. I met the wonderful person who became my wife while we served together on the staff of Admiral Rickover. My Navy assignments dealt with the design, building, repair and recycling of nuclear-powered submarines. Following 25 years in the Navy, I spent almost two decades as a contractor as a Department of Defense Level III Program Manager and Certified Information System Security Professional. My volunteer efforts throughout my life include tutoring grade and high school students in math and science, member of Friends of the Library in various states, serving on the City of McKinney Library Advisory Board, and home owner association (HOA) board member/officer in Washington, Virginia and Texas. The one in Texas was Stonebridge Ranch Community Association. My native Texan wife and I moved to Stonebridge

Ranch in 2011, so resident homeowners for a bit over thirteen years.

To which areas do you feel you could make the greatest contribution? Why? (i.e. finance landscape and grounds, communications amenities, social modifications, etc.)

I believe my fiscal responsibilities with annual budgets of hundreds of millions of taxpayer dollars during three distinct US Navy tours, as well as being the treasurer of the HOA in Virginia for eight years, would prove useful as liaison to the Finance Committee. I also have experience with SRCA Social and Amenities Committees. Whatever assignment best serves my neighbors.

What are your reasons for wishing to volunteer your service on the SRCA board of directors?

As time permitted throughout my life, I have tried to make our community a better place. As a retiree, I have plenty of time.

What volunteer activities have you been involved with SRCA and/or not for profit or nonprofit associations?

As alluded to earlier, I served for over five years on the SRCA Board. Other not for profit organizations include HOAs in other states, various Friends of the Library, City of McKinney Advisory Board and tutoring grade/high school students in four states.

What challenges or opportunities do you believe SCRA is currently facing? What challenges or opportunities do you anticipate SRCA confronting in the future?

In my opinion, the biggest unknown is inflation. I believe inflation is coming back, hopefully not what we saw in the late 70s. As the SRCA Board of Directors is limited to the greater of a 5% or CPI-U increase in assessments without homeowner approval, I can see a future where services may need to be cut to balance the budget. Do we space out HOA fence replacement a few years? Decrease management company staffing levels? I made, and learned from, many such resource allocation decisions in the past.

Experiences and attributes for SRCA board success – in addition to answering the questions above please describe your work and background.

- a. Board or Committee Experience
 - i. 5 years on the SRCA Board of Directors
 - ii. 8 years on the Terra Grande HOA Board of Directors in VA
 - iii. 4 years on the City of McKinney Library Advisory Board
 - iv. Various qualification boards and inquiry boards in the Navy
 - v. Too many committees enumerate, both standing and ad hoc
- b. Executive/Leadership Experience
 - i. 25 years as commissioned US Navy officer
 - ii. Director, Quality Assurance Office at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard
 - iii. Los Angeles Class and Ohio Class submarine Project Officer at Electric Boat
 - iv. Ocean Engineering Project Officer at Mare Island Naval Shipyard
- c. Critical, strategic and innovative thinking
 - i. While serving on Commander, Submarine Force Pacific staff, developed a plan for the overhaul of USS OHIO, the first Trident submarine
 - ii. Other projects as assigned
- d. Knowledge of/experience with
 - i. HOA
 1. 8 years with Terra Grande HOA in Springfield, VA
 2. 5 years with Stonebridge Ranch Community Association
 - ii. Organization of annual budgets greater than \$1M
 1. 3 years on Commander, Submarine Force Pacific staff
 2. 6 years on Supervisor of Shipbuilding, Groton staff
 3. 3 years as Ocean Engineering Project Officer
 4. 5 years on SRCA Board of Directors
 - iii. Not for profit organization, legal duties of a board, etc.
 1. Nothing significant other than previously mentioned
- e. Knowledge of SRCA and its governing documents
 - i. SRCA resident for over 13 years
 - ii. Received three violations early in those 13 years, which certainly made me pay attention to the governing documents. Violations promptly resolved without fines. Aside: One violation featured a white brick house in the photo showing the violation. Our home has red bricks. The CMA Management person did apologize for sending me the violation in error.
 - iii. 5 years on the SRCA Board of Directors



ROBERT EDGAR

Briefly introduce yourself. Include your background (business, volunteer or other experience), the number of years you've been a Stonebridge Ranch resident, etc.

I was born in Boston and went to high school and university in Los Angeles. My wife, Paula and I have been married for 60 years and have two grown daughters residing in Denver and North Carolina. We have two grandsons. I am a graduate of the University of Southern California in Business Administration and did graduate work at the University of Alabama and UCLA. I served 4 years in the Air Force from 1964-68. We relocated to Stonebridge Ranch in 1994 after completing a 7-year natural gas development project in remote Indonesia.

My professional experience includes more than 30 years professional and managerial experience in planning and execution of major domestic and international upstream oil and gas development projects valued from \$250MM to greater than \$1B and related operations, maintenance and support activities with emphasis in contracts management, project cost and schedule controls, procurement, logistics, aviation and materials management.

I am retired.

To which areas do you feel you could make the greatest contribution? Why? (i.e. finance landscape and grounds, communications amenities, social modifications, etc.)

My background lends itself to contributions in Landscape and Grounds, Communications and Finance.

What are your reasons for wishing to volunteer your service on the SRCA board of directors?

One of the primary reasons we chose Stonebridge Ranch was because of its appeal as a large, well-planned community with an active HOA. I continue to believe that our active, professional HOA has been and will continue to be a significant benefit to all Stonebridge Ranch residents. I would hope to help continue that legacy in some small way.

What volunteer activities have you been involved with SRCA and/or not for profit or nonprofit associations?

I am an active member of McKinney Retired Active Seniors (McRATS), a local social organization for active seniors.

What challenges or opportunities do you believe SCRA is currently facing? What challenges or opportunities do you anticipate SRCA confronting in the future?

Stonebridge Ranch started as a development idea for 5000+ acres in the early 1970's to a mature community of 30,000+ residents today. The development concepts envisioned at the outset have largely been achieved and maintained, despite cyclical business challenges and dynamic growth in North Texas. This, in large part, due to the foresight of the founders and active management of our HOA. Going forward, I believe the HOA will be challenged to keep the community's amenities and programs relevant to a changing demography and to find the necessary resources and funds to maintain the community's mature infrastructure.

Experiences and attributes for SRCA board success – in addition to answering the questions above please describe your work and background.

As a long-time Stonebridge Ranch resident, I have had a vested interest in the success of this community for many years. I believe that interest and my knowledge of the community will be an asset to the SRCA board.

I have extensive experience in contracting and management of contracts for consultants, engineering, construction and operation of industrial facilities and related activities which I believe will be helpful to Stonebridge Ranch.

My work experience includes:

5 years with the TOSCO Corp as a Director of Project Controls and Administration for a \$6B oil shale synfuels project in the U.S. Rocky Mountains.

16 years with the ARCO Oil and Gas Co. with responsibilities in large domestic and international oil and gas development projects including

- Contracts Director in Alaska
- Project Business Director in Indonesia
- International Contracts Manager in Plano, Texas
- Project Business Director in Ecuador.

8 years with Talisman Energy Malaysia in Malaysia as Projects Contracts Manager and Project Services Manager for major oil and gas development projects in SE Asia.

Hands-on experience with design and development of purchasing, logistics, contracts & procurement administration and project control software.

JOSEPH MORABITO

Briefly introduce yourself. Include your background (business, volunteer or other experience), the number of years you've been a Stonebridge Ranch resident, etc.

My wife and I moved to Stonebridge Ranch in 2022 to be closer to our grandchildren. While I have served on two HOA Boards and experienced several others in four states, I was dismayed by the terrible service we encountered when attempting to put a wheelchair friendly walk on the side of our home, perhaps needed for future use to connect our driveway to the rear yard. What we wanted to do never did get approved.

While I dread another encounter, we will have to try again to get something approved that is workable. In any case, that experience is one of many reasons I decided to run for the Board. If elected, I will be the voice of our Members on the Board, which is lacking today, recognizing that we are the customers paying all the bills.

My focus on the Board will be as follows:

1. Implement quality metrics to improve services, facilities, and landscaping.
2. Implement procurement procedures to negotiate better deals for the Association with our suppliers to save money.
3. Implement a Five-Year Plan to improve landscaping in the community.
4. Increase communications between the Association and our Members.
5. Plan more social events to encourage more interaction among our Members.
6. Hold some Board Meetings during later hours making it easier for working Members to attend.
7. Create Zoom access so all Members can see Board Meetings without the need to attend one. This could allow for Chat Questions. Record those meetings and post them for viewing.
8. Oppose the McKinney Airport slated to grow to 16 gates (Love Field has 20 gates) because it will bring increased traffic, jet noise and air pollution over our community.
9. Properly managing the cost of the Beach Club Renovation. It appears that there may be fiscal mismanagement by the current Board TBD.

Though, I am well qualified to serve on the Board, I did not receive the endorsement of the nominating committee composed of current Board members because I am clearly a change agent, and change is very threatening to entrenched interests.

I am the Donald Trump of Stonebridge Ranch without his billions (Ha Ha) seeking to Make Stonebridge Ranch Great – Again. We have a lot of work to do, and time is of the essence.

If you want to see changes and improvements in our community, Please Vote For Me.

To which areas do you feel you could make the greatest contribution? Why? (i.e. finance landscape and grounds, communications amenities, social modifications, etc.)

Customer Service, Social, Modifications, Fiscal Management as a result of my experience.

What are your reasons for wishing to volunteer your service on the SRCA board of directors?

Since I am semi-retired, I now have the time to benefit our community. I have years of senior management experience in all facets of business management from working at Merrill Lynch, Weyerhaeuser and my own company, Paragon Global Resources that will benefit the HOA and our community.

What volunteer activities have you been involved with SRCA and/or not for profit or nonprofit associations?

Las Virgenes Concerned Citizens: Board of Directors, Treasurer, 1979-1981 Fountainwood Homeowners Association: Board of Directors, President, 1980-1983 Newport Chamber Orchestra: Board of Directors, Vice President, 1984
CZ Master Association, Board of Directors, 1999-2002 Hayek Group: Board of Directors 2016 -2018
Sierra Nevada Performing Arts Association - Founder and President 2015 to 2022

What challenges or opportunities do you believe SCRA is currently facing? What challenges or opportunities do you anticipate SRCA confronting in the future?

There is a lack of customer focus in HOA Management. Service is weak. Quality metrics are not apparent. I believe we can use procurement processes to save money to prevent future dues increases and special assessments. This will be very important related to the Beach Club Project.

Experiences and attributes for SRCA board success – in addition to answering the questions above please describe your work and background.

Owner, Founder/CEO of Paragon Global Resources and its subsidiaries since 1991.

Education – California State University

BA History
BA Political Science
MA Education Administration
Standard Secondary Teaching Credential Administrative Services Credential

Completed all the coursework for the Real Estate Broker Exam: Principles, Practices, Economics, Property Management, Law, Finance, Appraisal.

Provided consulting services at the C-Suite Level for major companies and non-profits throughout the United States and world. Before entering business was a public school junior, senior and adult school teacher and administrator.

World Traveler. Conducted many training and other group orientations. Speak Spanish and Italian.



Compliance Corner

'Tis The Season For Spring Cleaning!

Can you believe it? As of March 20th, spring will officially have sprung! And with that comes the urge to freshen things up—decluttering, deep cleaning, and maybe even adding a little extra storage space.

If you're thinking about installing a storage shed in your yard, here are five important things to keep in mind from your SRCA Compliance Team:

1. **Location matters** – Your shed needs to be behind a **six-foot privacy fence** (or the required metal fence), and the tallest point can't be more than **eight feet** high.
2. **Size limits** – The standard max size is **120 square feet** unless otherwise specifically approved by the Reviewing Body on a case-by-case basis. If you're considering two smaller sheds, that's okay, as long as the combined size doesn't go over **120 square feet**.

3. **No metal sheds** – Storage sheds must be made of **wood, plastic, resin, or masonry construction** and should be a color that matches or complements your house.
4. **Roof rules** – The shed roof should match or complement your home and should have **simple gabled ends**—"lean-to" style sheds aren't allowed. The pitch of the roof will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.
5. **Proper placement** – Make sure there's at least **five feet of clearance** from any side yard or alley, and **ten feet from a rear fence or property line**.

For the full details, check out **page 79** of our **Modification Design Guidelines: [Modification Design Guidelines](#)**.

You can always find this and more info on our website: www.StonebridgeRanch.com.



WON'T YOU BE MY NEIGHBOR?

By Meera Roxas, Digital Content Director

March 20 is **Won't You Be My Neighbor Day**, a celebration of kindness, empathy, and community inspired by the legendary Fred Rogers. For generations, we sang along as Mr. Rogers welcomed us into his world with the familiar melody of Won't You Be My Neighbor? Then, we ventured with him into the Neighborhood of Make-Believe, where we learned valuable lessons—ones that continue to shape the way we interact with those around us.

To honor this special day, let's reflect on five timeless lessons from Mr. Rogers that can help us all be better neighbors.

1. "There are three ways to ultimate success: The first way is to be kind. The second way is to be kind. The third way is to be kind."

Kindness is the foundation of a strong community. Whether it's greeting a neighbor with a smile, offering help to a friend, or simply listening to someone who needs to talk, small acts of kindness create a welcoming environment where everyone feels valued.

2. "Anything that's human is mentionable, and anything that is mentionable can be more manageable."

Mr. Rogers taught us that talking about our feelings—both happy and difficult ones—helps us connect with others. Encouraging open, honest conversations with our neighbors fosters understanding and builds trust within our communities.

3. "We all have different gifts, so we all have different ways of saying to the world who we are."

Every neighbor brings something special to the table. By embracing and celebrating our differences, we create a more inclusive and vibrant community. Appreciating unique talents and perspectives makes our neighborhood a richer place to live.

4. "It's not so much what we have in life that matters. It's what we do with what we have."

Generosity isn't just about material gifts. It's about giving your time, support, and care to those who are in need. Being a good neighbor means offering what we can, whether that's a helping hand, a listening ear, or simply being present for those around us.

5. "Look for the helpers. You will always find people who are helping."

Mr. Rogers reminded us to look for those who help and, more importantly, to be those helpers. Whether through volunteering, supporting a friend, or spreading positivity, we can all contribute to making our neighborhood a better place.

Let's celebrate Won't You Be My Neighbor Day every day by embodying these lessons. After all, as Mr. Rogers showed us, being a good neighbor isn't just about proximity—it's about kindness, compassion, and community. Won't you be my neighbor?

MARCH 20th
is
Won't You Be My Neighbor Day!

Exciting Updates On The Beach Club: What's Next For Stonebridge Ranch?

As the vision for our new, resort-style Beach Club continues to take shape, we would like to thank all of the residents who attended our recent Town Hall meeting. Your feedback is crucial in helping us design a modern, multi-generational amenity that reflects the diverse needs of our community.

Looking ahead, Kimley-Horn is finalizing the design, and the SRCA Board will review and approve the final plans in the coming weeks. Once the design is confirmed, we will present the details at the SRCA Annual Meeting on March 13. This meeting will provide an excellent opportunity for homeowners to ask questions, offer additional feedback and hear the Board's updates on the financial aspects of the project.

Given the scale of this capital improvement, a special assessment will be applied to all homeowner lots. While the Board does not yet have final details regarding the timing or the exact amount within the \$1,600 - \$1,800 range shared at the Town Hall, we remain committed to responsibly managing costs including the addition of payment plans. We will provide further information as soon as it becomes available.

We encourage all residents to stay engaged as the project progresses. Regular updates will be shared through our Friday Flash emails, Stonebridge Ranch News Magazine, [website](#), and [official Facebook group](#).

If you were unable to attend the meeting or have questions that were not addressed, please visit our website for a comprehensive list of [frequently asked questions](#), or feel free to reach out to our office via email at stoneb@ciramail.com.

Annual Gardening Calendar

brought to you by Dr. R,E, Moon + Associates

MARCH 2025

ANNUAL GARDENING CALENDAR

PREPARED FOR STONEBRIDGE

BY DR. ROBERT E. MOON



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ASSOCIATES
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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 / 2 Set irrigation controller to run one time every 7-10 days. If it is raining, turn controller to off position.	3 Allow foliage to remain on spring flowering bulbs until it dies naturally or you will have few or no flowers next spring.	4 Begin to "harden" tomatoes, peppers, and other vegetables in cold frames by less watering and exposure to cold. Be careful not to let plants freeze. Monitor watering closely to decrease damping off.	5	6 A hummingbird flower mix can be purchased from Wildseed Farms to encourage hummingbirds and butterflies throughout the summer. Plant in full sun areas.	7 Spray live oaks for forest tent caterpillars as leaves begin spring flush. This spray will also reduce gall formation and aphid leaf curl.	8 Prune hybrid tea and floribunda roses if you have not yet done so. Do not prune climbing roses.
9 Spray pear trees for the control of fire blight with Neem Oil and Cueva. Apply three applications at five-day intervals beginning when 10% of the blossoms are open.	10 Prune back overgrown ground cover beds of English ivy, jasmine, colorata euonymus, liriope, ophiopogon, and vinca to encourage new, compact growth. A lawn mower set on its highest setting works if beds are level and rock free. Renovate, fertilize, and control insects in strawberries.	11	12 Seed eggplants for transplants in April. Seed Firecracker 234 wildflower blend.	13 Enjoy your garden! Summer is on the way.	14 AVERAGE FROST FREE Fertilize your lawn. Follow label instructions for application rates. This first application should be made before April 15. Water the lawn after fertilization.	15 Spray peach and plum trees for insect and disease control when 75% of the blossoms are open and on a continued schedule every 10-14 days...
16 ... until five applications are made. Treat with Neem Oil and Cueva.	17 Start hanging baskets. They will need protection occasionally from the cold, but a week or two head start will give them a chance to become established before hot weather.	18	19 Set out alyssum, daisies, dianthus, lobelia, phlox, verbena, carefree geraniums, asters, petunias, impatiens, and chrysanthemum plants.	20 Remove winter-damaged tips from all plants.	21 Plant snap beans, lima beans, lettuce, cucumbers, squash, sweet corn, mustard, and tomatoes (seeds and transplants). Thin flower and vegetable plants as needed.	22
23 Set out ageratum, balsam, celosia, coleus, dahlias, impatiens, marigolds, portulaca, salvia, and zinnia plants. Mulches such as compost or dyed-brown, double-ground mulch can be spread around the plants to prevent weed seed germination and maximize water utilization.	24	25	26 Spray broadleaf evergreens for scale; insect infestation control with Neem Oil.	27 Re-pot overgrown houseplants. Use a loose potting soil and a container which has a hole in the bottom for drainage.	28 Control insects, weeds, and disease in the garden as needed.	29 Aerate, de-thatch, or Verticut your lawn this month. This is absolutely necessary for turf where thatch has accumulated to where water and nutrients cannot penetrate.
30 For full sun bed areas, plant a cut flower seed mix from Wildseed Farms and enjoy beautiful cut flowers all summer.	31	1	2	3	4	5

RECOMMENDED PLANT LIST FOR 2025

For Texas homeowner yards -

Prepared for Stonebridge by Dr. R.E. Moon + Associates

Dr. Moon + Associates have kindly prepared the following recommendations for plants homeowners in Texas can use to beautify their yards this year. We're presenting the top five of each category, but see the entire recommended plant list [HERE](#).

COLOR CHART:

Very drought tolerant - Red

Moderately drought tolerant - Green

STREET TREES:

1. Ginkgo biloba 'Autumn Gold', **Autumn Gold Ginkgo**
2. Pistacio chinensis, **Chinese Pistache**
3. Quercus macrocarpa, **Bur Oak**
4. Quercus shumardii, **Shumard Red Oak**

5. Quercus virginiana, **Live Oak**, select from:

- Standard Live Oak (full, arching branched crown)
- Cathedral (small canopy)

CANOPY TREES:

1. Ginkgo biloba 'Autumn Gold', **Autumn Gold Ginkgo**
2. Koelreuteria paniculata, **Goldenrain Tree**
3. Pistacio chinensis, **Chinese Pistache**
4. Prosopis glandulosa, **Honey Mesquite**
5. Quercus buckleyi, **Texas Red Oak**

SHRUBS:

1. Abelia var. Rose Creek, **Rose Creek Abelia**
2. Abelia var. Kaleidoscope, **Kaleidoscope Abelia**
3. Abelia var. White Prostrate, **White Prostrate Abelia**
4. Agave spp, **Agave**
5. Agave ovatifolia, Whale's Tongue, **Whale's Tongue Agave**

ORNAMENTAL GRASSES:

1. *Andropogon gerardii*, **Big Bluestem**
2. *Andropogon glomeratus*, **Bushy Bluestem**
3. *Andropogon virginicus*, **Broomsedge Bluestem**
4. *Bouteloua curtipendula*, **Sideoats Grama**
5. *Bouteloua gracilis*, var. *Blonde Ambition*, **Blue Grama**

VINES AND GROUND COVER:

1. *Bignonia capreolata* var. *Tangerine Beauty*, **Tangerine Beauty Crossvine**
2. *Campsis tagliabuana* var. *Madame Galen*, **Madame Galen Trumpet creeper**
3. *Campsis radicans* var. *Monbal*, **Balboa Sunset Trumpet creeper**
4. *Campsis radicans* var. *Flamingo*, **Flamingo Trumpet creeper**
5. *Campsis radicans* var. *Flava*, **Yellow Trumpet creeper**

TURF GRASSES:

1. *Buchloe dactyloides*, **Buffalograss**
 - Bison
 - Bowie
 - Cody
 - Plains
 - Topgun
2. *Cynodon dactylon*, **Giant Bermudagrass**
3. *Cynodon dactylon*, **Seeded Bermudagrass**
4. *Cynodon dactylon* var. *BlackJack*, **BlackJack Seeded Bermudagrass**
5. *Cynodon dactylon* x *Hybrid Latitude*, **Latitude Hybrid Bermudagrass**



LAWN & ORDER

by Mathew Roebuck, Landscape & Grounds Director

With spring just around the corner, now is the perfect time to tackle seasonal landscaping tasks. By now, any remaining fall leaves should be cleared, and Live Oaks should be finishing their seasonal leaf drop.

March is when landscapes start to come alive, so be sure to lay down mulch before new perennials and ground cover begin emerging. This will help reduce extra labor and save you from the hassle of mulching around new growth.

If you're planning to plant evergreen shrubs or dormant ornamentals, now is a great time to do so. However, hold off on planting perennials and herbaceous plants until April to avoid potential late-season freezes. For expert guidance on properly planting trees and shrubs, check out this resource from Texas A&M: [Planting Trees & Shrubs](#).

Lawn Care: Preparing for the Growing Season

March is also the ideal month to scalp warm-season lawns if you haven't done so already. Lowering your lawn's height helps encourage early green-up before breaking dormancy. The recommended cutting height depends on your grass type but generally falls between 1-2 inches—just be careful not to scalp the soil or damage surface roots of nearby trees. If you have excessive clippings, be sure to bag as much as possible to prevent more than ½ inch of thatch buildup, which can suffocate your lawn and promote disease. While recycling some clippings provides organic nutrients, too much can lead to spring and summer turf diseases.

Pro-Tip on Fertilizing: It's too early to apply fertilizer to dormant lawns. Fertilizing too soon can be ineffective and may even contribute to disease as the lawn transitions into spring. Now is also a great time to service your lawn equipment before the busy spring season. Sharpening mower and trimmer blades ensures clean cuts rather than ragged edges that can stress your grass. Don't forget to replace spark plugs and air filters and properly dispose of any stale gas left in the tank from winter. A well-maintained mower will help you achieve a healthy, well-groomed lawn this season.

Community Landscaping & Turf Aeration Project

If you notice landscaping crews at work along roadways, it's because we're kicking off some much-needed maintenance projects. This month and into April, we'll be conducting turf aeration throughout the community. Over the past two years, we've noticed significant soil compaction, which hinders root growth, reduces the effectiveness of fertilization, and prevents proper moisture absorption. Beginning in 2025, aeration will become a routine community-wide practice to promote healthier turf, improved water movement, and reduced irrigation needs in the spring and summer.

Upcoming Projects & Improvements

Stay tuned for the April Magazine Issue, where we'll highlight Amenities & Landscape and Grounds Department Projects planned for 2025. In the meantime, we're excited to announce that the Annual Fence Replacement Project is just around the corner! This year, we will be replacing the wood fencing in Lake Point, Pecan Crossing, and Wildwood Villages in its entirety. Additional work includes:

- **Stanford Meadows** – A small section along Summer Glen Dr
- **Wellington Point Village** – Completing the remaining work started in 2023
- **Live Oak Village & Wynn Ridge Estates** – Fence straightening projects along Ridge Road

Throughout the remainder of winter, landscapers will also be pruning fence-line shrubs as part of our annual maintenance plan. Rest assured, this process follows correct rejuvenation techniques to prevent harm, particularly in shaded areas.

Get Involved

We encourage residents to get engaged and be part of these exciting community projects. Consider attending a committee meeting or joining a committee to play an active role in shaping the future of Stonebridge Ranch. If you're interested, the Association Office can provide guidance on how to participate. You can also submit a request to join at stonebridgeranch.com/committees.

We'll see you again in April—keep an eye out for major project updates in next month's issue!

St. Patrick's Day

March 17, 2025

St. Patrick's Day, celebrated on March 17, is more than just a day for wearing green and enjoying festive parades—it's a holiday rich in history and tradition!

Honoring Ireland's patron saint, this day originally marked the arrival of Christianity in Ireland but has since become a worldwide celebration of Irish culture. See below a few fun facts you may not have realized about St. Patty's Day.

Did you know?

- St. Patrick wasn't actually Irish—he was born in Roman Britain and brought to Ireland as a servant.
- The legend that he drove snakes out of Ireland is likely symbolic—Ireland never had native snake species.
- The original color associated with St. Patrick was **blue**, but **green** became popular due to Ireland's lush landscape, flag colors, and the shamrock.
- The holiday was once a strictly religious occasion in Ireland—pubs were closed until the 1970s!
- Chicago celebrates by dyeing its river green, a tradition that started in 1962.

Whether you're flaunting your favorite green outfit, pinching those who aren't in green, or picking four-leaf clovers, we wish you a very lucky and happy St. Patrick's Day!



1. If Stonebridge Ranch were a city, it would be most comparable to:

- a. Beverly Hills, CA
- b. Charleston, SC
- c. Louisville, KY
- d. Palm Beach, FL

2. Which of these is maintained by our team at Stonebridge Ranch?

- a. Streetlights
- b. Streets within sub-associations
- c. Entrance monument lighting
- d. The road all the way down Virginia Parkway

Answers:

Answer: (a) Beverly Hills, CA, pop. 30,000
(we're slightly larger in population)
Answer: (c) Entrance monument lighting

Spring Gardening

Tips For A Stunning Stonebridge Ranch

Few activities welcome the changing season more than refreshing your garden. By following a few simple steps, you can create a vibrant, well-maintained yard that meets community standards and thrives throughout the spring season!

Prepare for Growth

Start by raking up fallen leaves and debris to clear the way for new growth. Aerate compacted soil to improve water absorption and support healthy roots. Apply a fresh layer of mulch to help conserve moisture and suppress weeds. Lastly, check for any bare spots in your lawn and reseed or install sod patches as needed. Well Wrote and perfect timing to release in March.

Select the Right Plants

When choosing flowers and shrubs for spring, look for varieties that align with the Stonebridge Ranch-approved plant palette. Native and drought-resistant plants thrive in our climate and require less maintenance. March is a good month for woody-stemmed ornamentals, shrubs, and trees.

All homes in Stonebridge Ranch require at least one row of evergreen shrubs along the foundation. To keep your landscape looking its best:

- Replace damaged or dying shrubs with approved species (for example, Crape Myrtle) as outlined in the [Modification Design Guidelines](#).
- Ensure landscape bed edging meets community standards, whether using a neat 2-inch trench, metal edging, or other approved materials.

We're here to help.

Before making any major updates to your landscape, be sure to review your [village-specific guidelines](#). If you have questions about landscaping requirements or need guidance on a garden project, the Association office is here to assist.

Let's work together to keep Stonebridge Ranch looking beautiful this spring!



Brief History of The Beach Club

In The Beginning



1970s

In the 1970's, Collin County was predominantly farm and ranch land. At the time, the 1,357 acres at the heart of Stonebridge Ranch was a tract known as the Flying M Ranch. Back then, the recorded population of Collin County was only 66,920 people. My, how times change! Fifty years later, the latest available US Census estimates show McKinney alone with 213,509 residents while Collin County has 1,195,359. The DFW area continues to grow rapidly, and more homes are constantly needed.

July 25, 1988

Stonebridge Ranch began with a sales office at 6201 Virginia Parkway. On July 25, 1988, the Texas Secretary of State certified the incorporation of the Stonebridge Ranch Community Association, Inc.

The new community showcased a memorable water feature - the first sand beach in the area. Many lifelong memories were created for the tens of thousands of homeowners who came to dig in the sand or wade in the water over the years.

March 17, 2008

On March 17, 2008, Stonebridge Ranch began its latest identity with the signing of the Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for

Stonebridge Ranch. The Beach Club continued to attract a cross-section of the homeowners under the management company responsible for the day-to-day operations of the ever-growing community.

2019

Around 2019 the former management company informed the Board of Directors the pool at the Beach Club needed repairs to address water leaks. If you have been to the pool in the past few years, you could not help but see numerous black lines on the bottom of the pool. The recent lines you saw were probably the results of the spring 2024 repair efforts. The lines had grown in length and width as these repairs had grown more extensive with each year's repair attempt. The Board was ever hopeful that any given year's repair, using different materials and methods, would finally be the solution to the leaks.

Early 2024

None of these attempts proved successful. It became apparent in 2024 that the pool was losing even more water. The two primary indicators were not only increased water needed to keep the pool filled but also the greater use of chemicals to maintain the water's chemistry.

The Board looks into alternative, long-term solutions. The first thought was simply replacing the pool. However, this could not be

done. City codes for swimming pools have changed in significant ways since the pool was built close to four decades earlier. And any pool replacement had to comply with the current codes. These revisions included the need for a minimum of a six-foot buffer between the edge of the sand and the water in the pool, ADA compliant walking surfaces that reached all the way around the pool, storm water management, etc.

At the same time, it was noted that Stonebridge Ranch had a wonderful view across Stonebridge Lake. But the panorama was only available to the homeowners when the pool was open. Wouldn't it be nice to take advantage of the view year-round?

The Community Room, even after an expansion effort last decade, had a maximum occupancy of 66 people. That's with just chairs in the room. If you needed tables for a bingo session, you were down to about 40 participants. Anyone looking for an admission ticket beyond that number went on a waiting list. If someone cancelled, great. Otherwise, all those homeowners could do was try again next time.

May 2024

Our current management company, GrandManors since 2022, recommended calling in a firm that specializes in pool leakage issues. The General Manager provided a verbal update on the issue at the monthly Board meeting in May. The preliminary results were unsettling.

June 2024

A month later, a full report was made to the Board. Not only were there leaks, but new cracks were found during daily inspections. In addition to the cracks, there were now tripping hazards. The staff pool technician was making daily repairs. On June 18, 2024, the Board decided cost-effective repairs were no longer feasible. The decision was made to close the pool. By adding additional personnel, the pool could be made safe to operate through the July 4 holidays. GrandManors staff inspected the pool at least twice a day to look for unsafe conditions.

July 7, 2024

The Board set Beach Club closure date.

July 16, 2024

Given these and other considerations, when the company that services our pool suggested the Board investigate a landscape architect to provide an assessment of how to use the land surrounding the SRCA office more efficiently, the current journey began in earnest.

July 26, 2024

Speaking with experienced personnel, including City of McKinney Parks Department personnel with their recent Apex Centre construction experience and GrandManors personnel with similar projects at other HOAs, the Board put together a Request for Qualifications (RFQ). This document laid out, in broad terms, what we were seeking.

August 6, 2024

After distributing the document to all the firms mentioned by people with knowledge in this field, the Board hosted several information sessions for potential bidders. The sessions in the Community Room were followed by a tour of the existing Beach Club and its infrastructure.

The Board members who participated found these gatherings an eye-opening experience, learning terms and ideas that would prove useful going forward. A total of 15 firms attended these sessions.

August 23, 2024

The Board received written proposals from eight firms in response to the RFQ. The Board members independently reviewed these packages, scoring them in various areas such as capability, past projects, contact information on past clients, etc. The Board then came to a consensus on three firms that were easily differentiated from the other five. These three were invited to provide additional information that described, in broad strokes, their vision for a new Beach Club 2.0.

Again, the Board members reviewed the responses independently, then came together to compare their assessments.

November 8, 2024

The Board agreed to sign a contract with Kimley-Horn to be the Landscape Architect to design the multi-generational, beach-themed complex to serve the diverse Stonebridge Ranch community. Kimley-Horn will stay on through the life of the project to ensure the final product conforms to their vision.

Meanwhile, independently, the homeowners who volunteer to serve on the Finance Committee were looking into ways to finance the project. SRCA reserve funds are meant to fund major repairs of existing assets such as ponds and lakes, tennis and pickleball facilities, parks, playgrounds and trails, the aquatics center, fence replacements, management offices, 500+ acres of common area, etc. The reserves were not structured or funded to fund capital projects initially funded by the developer.

In addition, the Amenities, Landscape & Grounds and Social Committee volunteers were providing their input on Beach Club 2.0 features. The Communications Committee kept the homeowners informed. The Modifications Committee ensured the new design complied with Stonebridge Ranch design guidelines which the homeowners must follow for their properties. Keeping the Board on track were the professional GrandManors personnel.

An early step in the Beach Club 2.0 project was determining the details of the current site. Kimley-Horn conducted a detailed survey of the site, as seen above ground. The Board contracted with Rone Engineering Services to conduct a geotechnical survey and submit a report on what lies below the surface.

December 2024

Amenity survey sent out to homeowners, that generated over 2,500 responses.

WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS – 2025-2026:

The future will include a general contractor for construction of the project, various specialized subcontractors and specialized services such as materials testing to ensure we are getting what we need for a quality product.

As this brief history is being written, a significant unknown is the final Beach Club 2.0 design. Since we don't have that design, we cannot determine the cost and schedule needed to complete the project. Answers to those questions will be available in the coming weeks. The estimated timeline for completion is mid-2026.

The Board will continue to use all available communication channels to keep the homeowners up to date but primarily by updating the Stonebridge Ranch website, www.stonebridgeranch.com. Other communication channels will point homeowners back to the website for further details.

Sources: www.stonebridgeranch.com, www.census.gov, publicly recorded documents, and assorted anecdotes

Answering Your FAQs

Beach Club 2.0

The Stonebridge Ranch Community Association is excited to share more details about the project to reimagine the Beach Club as a modern, signature amenity that will bring our community together and provide a space for residents of all generations to create lasting memories!

We've compiled answers to some of the most frequently asked questions to help keep you informed about the progress of the Beach Club project. For a more comprehensive list of FAQs, please visit the [extended version on the SRCA website](#), which we are constantly updating. If your question isn't covered here, feel free to reach out to our community management team at STONEB@ciramail.com or stop by the main office —we're committed to working together and keeping you updated every step of the way!

Frequently Asked Questions

- **How much will the creation of the new Beach Club cost?**
 - Conceptual designs of a new Beach Club are being prepared by Kimley-Horn, our landscape architect, based on homeowner, board of directors, and management company input. The exact cost will depend on the Board-adopted design. We aim for a competitive and cost-effective solution while ensuring a best-in-class new amenity.
- **Will the creation of a new Beach Club impact property values?**
 - Most new developments feature attractive amenities. Developers would not include them if residents did not desire them. We must stay competitive with new developments by offering modern amenities while also ensuring our Beach Club is going to stand the test of time with classic features that we know residents can use.
 - Our goal is to maintain and enhance property values by ensuring a well-maintained premier community, which includes a modern signature amenity to satisfy the needs of our owners and their families by providing a place for all to enjoy.
- **Why can't the reserve fund be used to pay for the new Beach Club costs?**
 - A reserve fund is a savings account set aside to cover the cost of anticipated large-scale repairs to existing community assets. A major capital improvement like our Beach Club project is a planned project that significantly enhances the community by adding a new asset or substantially improving an existing one. The SRCA reserve fund is strong and sufficient to pay for repairs to existing community assets, but it is not designed or funded to pay for a major capital improvement like our Beach Club project.
- **When will the special assessment amount be sent out?**
 - The special assessment will be announced no later than 60 days before the due date, just like the annual assessment. Also, late fees begin 30 days after the due date and if a payment plan option is employed those late fees do not apply.
 - The tentative date for providing definite information on the special assessment is the unknown as we continue to solicit homeowner input. While the Board does not yet have final details regarding the timing or the exact amount within the \$1,600 - \$1,750 range shared at the Town Hall, we remain committed to responsibly managing costs including the addition of payment plans. We will provide further information as soon as it becomes available.
- **How will Stonebridge Ranch cover the increased fees associated with upkeep and maintenance of the amenity features?**
 - It is expected that the new Beach Club will have a higher maintenance cost than the old Beach Club. In part, this will be offset by warranties provided by the construction company. After the warranty period, the new Beach Club will be considered in the reserve fund analysis and ongoing maintenance costs are expected to be covered through annual operations budgets funded by the normal annual assessments.
- **What about parking? Will it be increased? If parking is not going to be expanded, will there be alternative solutions?**
 - The City of McKinney has made a preliminary determination that the current parking is adequate for the proposed amenity. This may change when we pursue final design approval from the city. At this time, we are studying possible transportation or parking solutions and will continue to evaluate needs as they arise.

MARCH 2025 EVENTS

Due to print lead times, all events listed here are subject to change or cancellation. Prior to attending SRCA event, please check the online calendar at www.stonebridgeranch.com/events/ to confirm dates, times and details. You can also subscribe to other SRCA communication channels for up to date info. These include SRCA E-News Blasts and our official SRCA Facebook Group. See www.stonebridgeranch.com/stay-connected/ for details.

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9	10 Book Club 7:00 p.m. (BR + Zoom) 10 & Under/Future Stars Tennis 4-5 p.m. Academy Tennis 5-7 p.m.	11 Travel Club 9:00 a.m. (CR) 10 & Under/Future Stars Tennis 4-5 p.m. Academy Tennis 5-7 p.m.	12 Veterans Club 9:30 a.m. (CR) 10 & Under/Future Stars Tennis 4-5 p.m. Academy Tennis 5-7 p.m.	13 Morning Bingo 10:00 a.m. (CR) Annual Meeting 6:30 p.m. 10 & Under/Future Stars Tennis 4-5 p.m. Academy Tennis 5-7 p.m.	14 Marshmallow and Hot Dog Roast 6:00 p.m. 10 & Under/Future Stars Tennis 4-5 p.m. Academy Tennis 5-7 p.m.	15 Coffee, Cars & Cycles 8:30 a.m. (CR & Circle Drive) Kite & Chalk Art Festival 9:30 a.m.
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APRIL Save the Date

April 10 – Stonebridge Ranch 101 • April 12 – Meet the Easter Bunny •
 April 14 – Book Club • April 15 – Travel Club •
 April 15 – Evening Bingo • April 19 – Veterans Club •
 April 25 – Evening on the Veranda • April 26 – Coffee, Cars and Cycles •
 April 26 – Adult & Teen Fishing Tournament

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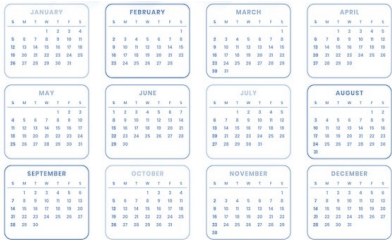
KEY Weekly Meet-ups, **Monthly/Annual Events, Committees**

AC = Aquatic Center, BTC = Beach & Tennis Club, BR = Board Room,
 CR = Community Room, SBP = Stonebridge Plaza

MARCH 2025 SOCIAL SCENE

www.StonebridgeRanch.com/events/

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FRIENDLY REMINDER:

In order to access SRCA events and amenities, residents need to carry a valid form of Stonebridge Ranch photo ID. SRCA homeowners on record with a valid Texas driver's license that lists their Stonebridge Ranch address can use their driver's license. All other household members, including permanent adult residents and children 3+ need a Stonebridge Ranch photo ID.



Book Club

Monday, March 10

7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

SRCA Boardroom & Zoom

6201 Virginia Parkway

Our book for March will be James by Percival Everett is a reimagining of The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn from the perspective of Jim, an enslaved man. The book explores themes of

identity, belonging, and the brutality of enslavement. There are lots of copies at the McKinney Libraries.

Everyone is welcome to come discuss this book. We look forward to seeing you and discussing this book in person in the SRCA Boardroom or via Zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 822 0419 7636

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Dial by your location: +1 (346)248-7799



Travel Club

Tuesday, March 11

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Community Room

6201 Virginia Parkway

This club meets on the second Tuesday of each month. If you are curious and enjoy experiencing new things, this is the perfect group for you. The members explore together, dine together, and even cruise together. Join the club if you're looking for some adventure!

Veterans Club

Wednesday, March 12

9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Community Room

Our guest speaker will be Gary Jackson, Collin County Veterans Service Officer. Gary's mission is to assist County veterans and dependents to obtain their benefits through our Federal and State Government.

Send us any questions or topics that you would like Gary to address.

Please plan to attend as we have many things happening this year and your participation will be much appreciated.

The Veterans Social Club seeks to enhance communication and foster bonds among Veterans in our community. Join us in honoring our past, celebrating our present, and shaping our future. Together, we thrive.



Morning Bingo

Thursday, March 13

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (Doors Open at 9:30 a.m.)

Community Room

6201 Virginia Parkway

Start your day off right with a morning of fun and prizes! Winners of each round earn \$10 gift cards, and light snacks and beverages are provided. This is an adults-only (age 21+) event. Stonebridge Ranch residents pay \$3 at the door and may bring up to two non-resident guests. Guests pay \$8 at the door. (We appreciate exact change and do not accept credit cards.) Seating is limited to the first 40 who sign up. RSVP by signing up through the Eventbrite link in the email blast or by contacting the management staff at (214)733-5800.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/morning-bingo-march-tickets-1249760159279>

Stonebridge Ranch Annual Meeting

Thursday, March 13

6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Crosspoint Church

2101 South Stonebridge Drive in McKinney

The Stonebridge Ranch Community Association (SRCA) will host its Annual Membership Meeting (Annual Meeting) on Thursday, March 13, 2025, 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at Crosspoint Church at 2101 S. Stonebridge Drive in McKinney. McKinney Mayor and Stonebridge Ranch resident George Fuller will be a speaker at the event.

Marshmallow and Hot Dog Roast

Friday, March 14

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Circle Drive



Bring your family and join us for our Annual Marshmallow and Hot Dog Roast in the Circle Drive at 6201 Virginia Parkway from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 pm. Kids love this free event! We'll provide fire pits, marshmallows, hot dogs, roasting sticks, and hot chocolate. Attendees will also enjoy family-friendly entertainment. This event is for Stonebridge Ranch residents only.

Coffee, Cars & Cycles

Saturday, March 15

8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. (Doors Open at 8:00 a.m.)

Community Room and Circle Drive

6201 Virginia Parkway

Residents are welcome to park their classic or fancy cars in the circle drive. We love to see motorcycles and choppers, too, but you are welcome regardless of the vehicle that you drive! This is a relaxed come-and-go event for residents only. Feel free to stop by while on your morning walk or bike ride. We will provide coffee and donuts in the Community Room until supplies run out. As part of this event, we are also hosting a Book, DVD, & CD exchange (bring one, take one).



Kite and Chalk Art Festival

Saturday, March 15

9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.,

Stonebridge Ranch Lake and Upper Parking Lot

6201 Virginia Parkway

Don't miss the Kite & Chalk Art Festival! Bring your favorite kite and fly it over the Stonebridge Lake Dam sidewalk with other SRCA members. We would love to see hundreds of kites flying high at the event! We will have drawings every 15 minutes for some fabulous kites! SRCA will provide a DJ and colorful chalk for the kids (and adults) to decorate the parking lot. Be sure to bring your own unique kite!