

# Sweetwater

Neighborhood Newsletter

June 19, 2017

## HD Boxes Pick-up

Many homeowners have picked-up their new HD Set Top Boxes and are enjoying them with no problems. There have been a few reports of homeowners having minor issues with picking up these boxes. Please remember, there is no set time you have to pick up these boxes, that's if you decided to get them at all.

Some homeowners have asked why they weren't sent to the Garden City Spectrum office- Spectrum requested we go to their Oak Street office as they carry more inventory and can better handle more walk in business. This does not mean that you can't go to the Murrells Inlet office. It is up to you to how you get these boxes and where you go.

All of your cable billing questions must be directed towards Spectrum.

## Architectural Review Application Form

Any change to the outside of your building must be approved by the Board of Directors. The outside of the building is the responsibility of the Association and as such must not be changed without approval from the Board. This includes the grounds around your building and all of the surrounding common areas.

Should a change be made that has not been approved, the Board of Directors will require that an Architectural Review form be filled out and the change considered. If the change is not in compliance with the look of the building or is an inappropriate change, such as a planting a tree too close to the building, the Board will have the non-approved change corrected and the cost of this correction will then be charged to the homeowner.

**Please remember you do not own the outside of the building and cannot change it without permission from the board.**

## Power Washing

YAY! Just a friendly reminder that around June 27<sup>th</sup> powerwashing at Sweetwater will begin. Please be sure that all of your belongings on your entrances and porches are put away so they are not damaged or wet. Not all buildings will be done in one day. It will take them at least a week! So be patient while they are working. Please remember that your porch is not included in this power washing and is your personal responsibility.

## Wi-Fi Setup/ Assesment- IMPORTANT



**WiFi**

Its almost time! The setup is coming! Spectrums wiring for Sweetwater is complex and will take more time than anticipated. Spectrum has given us a completeion date of October 1<sup>st</sup>. This new WiFi system will let all residents securely sign into their own 100MB Wireless Network almost anywhere on the property. If you are sitting at the pool feel free to be searching the Internet, updating your Facebook, or stream video from your favorite service. This is a state of the art Fiber Optic based WiFi System that will help us to future-proof our property.

All owners will still need to continue providing themselves with internet until all buildings are completely wired. The Board has adjusted the assessment amount to reflect the Wi-Fi services beginning in October. This will be mailed to you along with a due date for this assessment. Remember this assessment also includes the cost of your cable. Once a wiring schedule is available it will be emailed to homeowners and posted by the mailboxes.

Updated assesment amounts as follows:

- A- \$65.00
- B- \$84.00
- C- \$102.00
- D- \$121.00

**\*\* Again \*\*** This will be mailed to you along with giving you the due date. The Board will give all homeowners ample time to pay this assessment once it is mailed to you. There is no need to panic.

## Pool Bands

**YOU MUST WEAR YOUR POOL BANDS IF YOU ARE USING THE POOLS. NO EXCEPTIONS.**

## Pools – DHEC

Sweetwater had their first inpection and did pretty well. The violations we did received were created by pool users. This is a reminder to all that the pool safety equipitment is not for play and is not to be moved. The pool log books are not to be moved. Our pools will be closed by DHEC if these types of violations occur. This will affect everyone that uses the pools.



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## **Pest Control – COMING UP!**

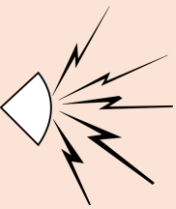
Mark your calendars! Interior pest control will be completed on July 17<sup>th</sup>. If you have pets and you will not be home you will need to have them put away for the safety of the pest control team.

Cleanliness is important when it comes to pests. Some helpful tips:

- Trash- Take out your trash on a regular basis
- Store Foods- Do not leave any food items opened and out.
- Cleanliness- the cleaner your home it the less attractive it will be to pests.
- Drains- On a regular basis inspect and maintain all drains, including sinks, tubs, laundry room drains.

## **Neighbor to Neighbor noise**

Noise in a Condo Home setting should be expected to be different than a Single Family Home. When you share walls and floors with others you will hear them walking around and that kind of noise is unavoidable. An airconditioner unit next to a bottom floor unit window is noisy but cannot be avoided.



All Condo owners should consider the noise level of their activities in relationship to the units around them. An awareness of the time of the day is important. The volume of music or movies should also be considered in relationship to your neighbors.

A good rule to remember is that after 11 pm and before 7 am you should keep the noise level down. This is to ensure that we all have peaceful enjoyment of our homes.

Please have patience and consideration of the fact that we live in very close quarters to each other.

Sometimes our actions have a negative impact on the lives on others around us and we are not aware of the noise level we create. Should a neighbor approach you, please be open minded and listen to what they are addressing with you. Often times a very small adjustment can make a big difference for everyone.

It is always best to be mindful of our impact on others. We need to work together to make Sweetwater one of the best Condo Associations in the area.

## **Excessive Dog Barking**

All dogs bark from time to time and that is to be expected. When a dog is allowed to bark for extended periods of time this is an annoyance for everyone near that barking dog.

It is always best to address this with your neighbor. Sometimes all it takes to correct the situation is a polite note stuck in their front door so that the dog owner understands how the barking is disturbing the neighbors.



After you have addressed this with your neighbor and if nothing changes, it is within your rights to call Horry County and report this disturbance at 843-248-1520. To review the County ordinance

regarding dog barking, please check the Horry County website under Animal Control.

Per the Horry County Website –

No person harboring, owning, keeping in possession or having custody or control of any animal shall permit such animal to create a public nuisance. Public nuisance shall include but not be limited to the following: creating excessive noise; molesting people; depositing excretory matter on property other than that of the owner. Provided further, it shall be unlawful for the owner or manager of any domestic animal of any description willfully or negligently to permit any such animal to run at large beyond the limits of his own land or the lands leased, occupied or controlled by.

Any person who violates the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined in accordance with county ordinance.

## **Watering the Plantings**

We have been lucky to get rain for the new bushes that were planted around Sweetwater! We still ask that homeowners take the time to continue watering them through the summer season until they are established and can thrive on their own.

### **Important information to know:**

Omni Management Services-

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