



2021 Saline Ridge Newsletter

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2021 SRHA Board of Directors

Kris Harper – Director
Tom Louria – Director

Todd Irgang - Director
Scott Caudill - Treasurer

The Annual Membership Meeting took place on May 13, 2021, at the pavilion. Please take a moment to review the 2021 Annual Membership Meeting handout in the DOCUMENTS section on the SALINE RIDGE website (<http://salineridge.com/>). The handouts include the 2020 year in review, performance to 2020 budget, 2021 objectives and 2021 approved budget.

Thank you, Tom Louria, for joining the board. We are still in need for one more volunteer to fill a Director's position on the board. The time commitment is minimal. For more information or to join, please contact a current board member.

The 2021 BOD looks forward to another great year serving our community!

If you would like to contact a board member, please send an email to boardofdirectors@salineridge.com.

2021 ASSOCIATION DUES REBATE

Thank you to everyone that paid their annual dues (\$300) by the June 1 due date. The Board Treasurer puts a lot of time into managing the Association's finances every year and appreciates those that provide prompt payment.

Something to think about for the future. Payments made by Venmo can be received instantaneously and the rebate can be sent via Venmo usually within one week.

RIDGE HILL LITTLE FREE LIBRARY

Did you know, there is a neighborhood lending library located in the Sandpiper Cove subdivision? It is located at the intersection of Sandpiper Lane and Thornbird Lane. A Little Free Library is a free book sharing box where anyone may take a book or share a book. They function on the honor system. If you take a book from the library, you should contribute one in order to ensure there are always quality books available.

If anyone would like to be involved in our own Ridge Hill Little Library project to contribute artistic talents for painting, materials or \$, please contact Tom Louria at tlouria@hotmail.com.



HALLOWEEN PARTY

Now that the world is getting back to a new normal, why not have a neighborhood Halloween Party again? It has consistently been a very enjoyable time for our community and it wouldn't be possible without people volunteering their time to make it happen. If you would like to volunteer to coordinate this event, please send an email to the BoD at boardofdirectors@salineridge.com. Expenses will be reimbursed.

The event usually takes place on October 31st from 5:30-6:00 P.M. under the Ridge Hill Park pavilion. Pizza and juice/water is provided. NOTE: This is not just for kids. All Saline Ridge residents are invited. Come eat some pizza and meet your neighbors!

THANK YOU

The BoD would like to thank Janel and Jon Ehrman for planting flowers under our park sign. They have done this for several years now with no fanfare and it certainly goes a long way toward enhancing the beauty of our neighborhood!



RIDGE HILL PARK REMINDERS

To preserve the beauty of the park and to prevent damage to the property, motor vehicles are not permitted beyond the park sign. The walkway is for pedestrian and bike traffic only. Please park your vehicles along the street and walk to the pavilion area when using the park.

Park hours are 9AM-9PM in order to minimize disturbance to adjacent homes. Please be considerate when using the park and observe the posted hours.

For the convenience of Saline Ridge residents, the pavilion may be reserved for special events hosted by a current resident. The reservation must be made through any Board Member at least two weeks in advance and is subject to availability. Park reservations apply to the pavilion, benches, and grills only. The remainder of the park will be available to other residents during your event. Please note that it is the responsibility of the residents that reserve the pavilion to pick up and dispose of any trash after the event.

ASSOCIATION REMINDERS

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL: With the summer season upon us, many homeowners will want to begin projects to enhance their property. Please remember to follow the appropriate approval process for any improvements or alterations made to your property (sheds/landscaping/fences, etc) by contacting the Board BEFORE starting the project(s). The review process and necessary pre-approval form can be found in the DOCUMENT section of our website (<http://salineridge.com/>). If you have any questions at all regarding this please reference Article IX in your Master Deed or contact any member of the Board of Directors. Your early cooperation could save a lot of time and money later if changes are necessary to comply with the By-Laws. Thank you!

LANDSCAPING: Each homeowner has the responsibility to enhance and maintain the grounds of his/her unit including the mowing of grass, removal of weeds, and proper trimming of bushes and trees. In regards to mowing, it is requested that grass be removed from the street. **Besides looking bad, loose grass is a hazard to runners, bicyclists and motorcycles.** Please note that each homeowner is responsible for the regular and proper maintenance of their property to the edge of the road including the ditch. Furthermore, it is the responsibility of each homeowner to ensure that weeds are kept to a minimum and that any fence lines (both sides) are maintained. **The Board has received complaints in the past** about residents not maintaining weeds in the grass, not pulling weeds from flowerbeds, and not trimming the grass under their fences. If you think your house might be one of the homes in question, please give your yard a bit more attention so that further action from the Board is not required.



PETS: Pets are a wonderful joy to their owners but not everyone has the same tastes or views on animals that they share the neighborhood with. To ensure that your pet(s) do not become an irritant to your neighbor, please observe the simple courtesies. Pets should not run loose on any property other than the owner's and they should have such care and restraint so as not to be offensive on account of noise, odor or unsanitary conditions. Each homeowner shall be responsible for collection of all fecal matter produced by their pet(s).



VEHICLES: Please note that Article VI, Section 8 of the Association By-Laws prohibit the parking/storage of house trailers, commercial vehicles, boat trailers, boats, camping vehicles, camping trailers, motorcycles, all-terrain vehicles, snowmobiles, snowmobile trailers or vehicles other than automobiles or vehicles used primarily for general personal transportation purposes on the premises of the Association for more than 24 hours at a time. **Last year, the Board received several complaints of RV's and trailers stored in the driveway. As a result, the BOD will be auditing the neighborhood for compliance this summer.**

SUBDIVISION SPEED

Speeding is a neighborhood concern. We have tried to get added enforcement from the Sheriff's office, but have gotten no response to date (if any residents have added influence, we're happy to have the help).

The Washtenaw County Road Commission was contacted regarding speed bumps. Since the subdivision roads are public roads, temporary speed bumps are not allowed. A request for speed bumps must be submitted to the County.

The process is lengthy. It can be found at <https://www.wcroads.org/residents/traffic-and-road-safety/neighborhood-traffic-management-program/>

- Minimum 7 residents are required to sign the request.
- If the study shows that speed bumps are a good idea, signatures from 75% of our residents will be required to proceed with permanent speed bumps which will be placed by the county
- Funding would most likely be the sub's responsibility. The rough estimate would be prepayment of possibly \$5,0000 - \$7,000 depending on the number of speed bumps needed.

SALINE RIDGE ASSOCIATION DROP BOX LOCATION

The Association drop box is attached to Scott Caudill's mailbox at 9090 Pheasant Ridge Ct. This is provided as a convenient alternative to the P.O. Box for Association business (dues, deposits, receipt drop off, etc).

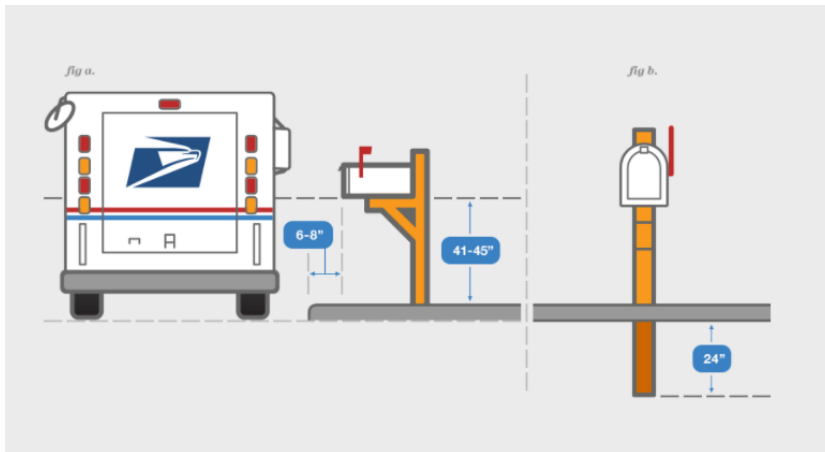
MAILBOX LOCATION – Helpful Tip

**Does your lawn look like this?
Your mailbox may be too far away from the street.**



Did you know that the US Postal Service has specific guidelines for placement of roadside mailboxes? If you are planning to replace or repair your mailbox, pay attention to these. It will prevent the postal carrier from driving off the road surface onto your lawn & damaging it. It will also prevent the pavement edges from being damaged & broken away over time. It makes it much easier on the postal carrier to drop the mail without leaving their vehicle. If done properly, this also allows a snowplow to clear the road without destroying the mailbox.

The mailbox door hinge should be 41-45 inches above the road surface and 6-8 inches from the face of the curb or road edge. Pay attention to the height from the road surface, as your box may need to be even higher from the ground level.



Source: <https://www.usps.com/manage/mailboxes.htm>

WELCOME NEW SALINE RIDGE NEIGHBORS who attended this year's annual BOD meeting



Where: 9044 S. Pheasant Ridge Lane
Who: Isaac, Nalina, & Adam
Favorite Things About Saline Ridge: We like that it's very quiet here!



Where: 9013 N. Pheasant Ridge Lane
Who: Jeff & Ava (+ Amy, Jackson, Brianna, & dog Gidgit not shown)
Favorite Things About Saline Ridge: It's a big neighborhood and quiet.

