



# SPYGLASS RIDGE HOA VIEWPOINT

April/May 2024

## RCC RESERVATIONS FOR May 2024:

\* 05/10/24 (FRIDAY) 6-9PM RESERVED FOR A PRIVATE EVENT

## Irrigation for HOA common areas is on!

WD Yards will have a crew in the community this afternoon (4/23/24) and tomorrow if needed testing the system.

To report a leak in the irrigation system please text or call the HOA emergency phone @ (970)270-5441 or email [spyglassridge@gmail.com](mailto:spyglassridge@gmail.com).

May 2024 Board Meeting

will be held on

Wednesday

May 8th at 6:30 p.m.

at the

Ridgeline Community Center!

## Swimming Pool Will Be Opening Next Week (Wed.) on May 1st!

Pool is open from 10am - 8pm Daily

Community members are responsible for knowing and following the pool rules at all times!

A copy of the pool rules can be found on

## A FEW EVENTS HAPPENING IN May 2024 INCLUDE:

### NATIONAL Train Day at GJ UNION DEPOT

5/11/24 11am - 3PM 119 PITKIN AVENUE

FREE TO ATTEND

### 3RD ANNUAL GRAND VALLEY RIVERFEST

5/18/24 11am - 4PM LAS COLONIAS PARK

FREE TO ATTEND

(SIGN UP REQUIRED FOR SOME ACTIVITIES IN ADVANCE)

### MEMORIAL DAY

5/27/24 ALL DAY

HOLIDAY ALL BANKS, FEDERAL OFFICES, SCHOOLS, ETC. CLOSED

# 5 things not to do on Memorial Day

Memorial Day has a specific purpose, and maintaining that purpose is important

## 1. Don't wish anyone a "Happy Memorial Day"

This is not Christmas – Memorial Day was not founded in joy with the promise of bringing glee each year. It was established as a way for the country to set aside time to honor the troops who had given their lives in service to America.

## 2. Don't thank the current troops

At least, don't thank them just because it's Memorial Day. They deserve respect and gratitude every day of the year, but this day is set aside specifically for America's fallen warriors from every war.

America's veterans are honored during November on Veteran's Day when we aim to remember and appreciate the sacrifices of all veterans. But, Memorial Day allows the country to focus on those service members who are no longer with us – an important distinction.

## 3. Don't disregard its importance

When we focus only on the backyard barbecues or discounts on refrigerators, we allow the true meaning to become lost. Grill some amazing steaks, and find the perfect mattress on sale, just don't forget to raise a glass in honor of those servicemen and women who gave the ultimate sacrifice.

## 4. Don't forget it exists

Even worse than allowing the day to become synonymous with deep discounts and potato salad, is letting it slip from the public's mind completely. When it becomes simply a highly-anticipated extra morning of sleeping in, instead of the day of reflection and appreciation it was meant to be, we disrespect our fallen troops.

## 5. Don't let politics keep you from rendering respect

Even if you don't agree with the idea of war, or the reasons America goes to war, or the policies of a particular president who was the Commander in Chief during a specific war, it doesn't matter. People have defended the people and interests of America for over 200 years, and your right to disagree with the reasons for war should be separate from your opinion of the troops themselves.

WHEN BOARDS ARE NOT ABLE TO OBTAIN SUFFICIENT MEMBERS TO CONSTITUTE A QUORUM OF THE BOARD, BOTH THE INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS AND THE ASSOCIATION AS A WHOLE ARE EXPOSED TO LIABILITY. AS A RESULT, ALL BOARD ACTIONS CAN BE OVERTURNED, REVERSED, OR HALTED. THIS MEANS THAT THE BOARD MAY NOT LEGALLY PAY FOR INSURANCE, WATER, MAINTENANCE OF THE COMMON ELEMENTS, OR OTHER ESSENTIAL SERVICES. WHEN A COMMUNITY GETS TO THIS POINT, THE ASSOCIATION MAY BE PLACED IN RECEIVERSHIP. **A RECEIVERSHIP IS WHEN THE COURT TAKES OVER THE OPERATION OF AN ASSOCIATION AND MAKES ALL DECISIONS FOR THE COMMUNITY THROUGH A COURT-APPOINTED RECEIVER.** DURING A RECEIVERSHIP, THE INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS LOSE ALL SAY IN THE OPERATION OF THE COMMUNITY UNTIL A DULY ELECTED BOARD IS EMPANELLED. THIS PROCESS CAN BE COSTLY AND IS NEVER IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE COMMUNITY. THE BEST SOLUTION TO AVOID THE ASSOCIATION BEING PLACED IN A RECEIVERSHIP IS ACTIVE PARTICIPATION FROM THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS.

The above information is being provided to all members of the SGR community to give you an opportunity to get involved. There will be four (4) open seats on the board of directors for 2025 and an additional vacancy may open this year. That means that we need to have at least five (5) community members willing to volunteer to serve on the board of directors within a year. So far the willingness of community members to get involved has been underwhelming and I am not sure why? So I would like to ask the community for their thoughts and ideas on how we can get more people involved? Please send your ideas and suggestions to [spyglassridge@gmail.com](mailto:spyglassridge@gmail.com).

Board meetings are held one evening per month and average less than one hour total. Members of the board may be asked to vote on an issue by email between meetings occasionally and are expected to review the monthly financial report, previous months minutes, and any other information that may be discussed at the next meeting prior to the meeting date. Total time commitment per month is approximately 2 hours or less. Board members are also expected to make decisions based on what is best for the community as a whole.

If we do not find a way to get more community members willing to be involved there is a real possibility that the association could go into receivership. That would mean that annual dues would have to be increased drastically to cover the costs of an outside management company, which could be as high as \$100,000 plus annually, and decisions regarding HOA issues would no longer be decided by owners within the HOA.

Let's build a strong community!

# POOL RULES

**Pool Hours are 10am-8pm daily.**

**The pool is open for use from May 1<sup>st</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup> annually.**

**NOTE:** It may be necessary at times to close the pool without prior notice due to bad weather such as lightening and/or heavy winds

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- 1) Do not open the pool gate for anyone who does not have a key card. Community members who do so may have their key cards deactivated permanently. **Your key card will not unlock the gate for access into or out of the pool area before 10am or after 8pm.** In an emergency you can exit the pool area through the North gate by entering the current code on the keypad to release gate lock.
- 2) **There are no lifeguards on duty at the pool!** Anyone under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult while in the pool and pool area. Children under the age of 5 are only allowed in the water when an adult is in the water with them.
- 3) **The following are never permitted in the pool area:**
  - a. Anything with wheels that you can ride. This includes bikes, skateboards, in-line skates, hover boards, shoes with wheels, etc. **(Please Note: This does not apply to ADA compliant motorized mobility scooters)**
  - b. Anything that can be thrown such as footballs, beach balls, frisbees, tennis balls, etc.
  - c. Water guns, super soakers, blast cannons, and any other device that shoots water is not permitted.
  - d. All floating loungers/chairs and any item that needs to be blown up or pumped up to use. (Example: inflatable inner tubes & rafts)
  - e. **No smoking of any kind is permitted** in any common area.
  - f. Radios, stereos, or any device that makes noise unless it is used with headphones.
- 4) Cloth and disposable diapers are never permitted. Waterproof "swim diapers" are allowed. A changing station is in the women's restroom.
- 5) No dogs are allowed in the pool or pool area at any time.
- 6) Food and Drinks are not allowed within 6 feet of the swimming pool. Do not eat or drink while in the water or near the edge of the pool. Glass is never permitted in or around the pool.
- 7) Parents/Guardians are responsible for monitoring their children's behavior. It is never permitted for any child or adult to be running, spitting, pushing, engaging in rough horseplay, and/or using offensive language. Failure to follow these rules may result in your key card being deactivated permanently.
- 8) "Pool noodles" are permitted and can be found in the storage box located to the right of the restroom door. Please remember to return them to the storage box when you leave the pool area. If community members choose to bring other pool toys they must be removed when member leaves the pool area.
- 9) DIVING IS NOT PERMITTED EVER!
- 10) Proper swimming attire is required. Thongs, topless sunbathing, and full nudity are not allowed.
- 11) Community members are allowed up to 4 guests **per lot owned** daily.  
(Ex: 2 lots owned by 3 people= **8 daily guests allowed** / 2 lots owned by 1 person= **8 daily guests allowed**)  
Community members must always accompany their guests while they are using the facilities (pool or exercise room). Passes for up to 2 additional guests may be purchased in advance from the office for \$10 per guest/per day.

***Before leaving the pool area please be sure you have picked up all trash and have folded down the back of your lounge chair!***