

# LA SONATA NOTES

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### From the President's Desk

As we ring in the 2021, we will hope it will be an improvement on 2020. A few of the great things 2020 brought us was learning new ways to manage our lives personally, professionally, and as a HOA. Some of us learned some new skills in holding and participating in teleconferences, working out ways to carry forward what we could in new ways, and in seeing more participation from the neighborhood as we moved through the strange landscape of 2020.

At the **Annual Business Meeting** in November we seated a new **Treasurer- Nina Mallard**, and two new **Board Members at Large- Kenetha Jacubiak and Kelly Dunagan**. We also confirmed a new **Covenants and Safety Chairperson - Elizabeth Angelo**. Earlier in the year we also welcomed **Kelly as Pond Committee Chairperson**. Please join me in making them welcome in their new positions of responsibility in the neighborhood.

This year the Board of Directors will be reviewing several documents in need of updating. These documents will be posted publicly for 14 days, then the Board of Directors will vote on accepting the newly updated versions. Please watch social media and the website for these to be posted.

A rumor has come to my attention from several investment owners that this Board is supposed to have been discussing not allowing rental/lease tenants to use the common area facilities. I will state now, for the record, that **this Board has not discussed and it will not become a topic for discussion to prohibit any residents of investment properties using any of the facilities enjoyed by any other resident of this neighborhood as long as the Dues are paid and the account is in good standing.**

### From the President's Desk (con't)

Before I close this, I wanted to extend appreciation and congratulations to **Amy Powers**. Amy stepped up to Chair the **Christmas Elves program**. In three weeks time this program gathered donations and resources to assist two families and seven "Angels" adopted with Christmas dinner and gifts. We look forward to this program in 2021 and seeing it grow with more time to plan and gather donations. Please remember there are a LOT of coats and jackets that were donated to **Cozy Coats** that will be available by appointment to look through and choose from **until January 15th**. Please contact **Amy Powers** at [amy@lasonata.org](mailto:amy@lasonata.org) to make an appointment. After January 15th, the remaining garments will be donated to a local charity.

**-Rebecca Chappell President**

### COVENANTS AND SAFETY REMINDERS

*Reports of violations may be sent to [safety@lasonata.org](mailto:safety@lasonata.org). Please include pictures with time stamp and location, and, for overnight street parking: color, make, model, license plate state, and number. If you are interested in volunteering for the Covenants and Safety Committee please contact [hoa@lasonata.org](mailto:hoa@lasonata.org).*

The Covenants and Safety Committee will be starting the year with some new guidelines to improve that committee and to make their activities safer for all parties. If you have an interest in this neighborhood remaining a well maintained place to live and enjoy, please contact Covenants and Safety Committee Chairperson **Elizabeth Angelo** at [safety@lasonata.org](mailto:safety@lasonata.org)

We have had a few alarming instances in the past few months, the most recent occurring on Christmas Eve night. **Teens have been making use of the Clubhouse in ways it is not intended.** There have been instances of male and female teens closing themselves into the bathrooms, where all of their activities are not known, but include smoking and vaping as demonstrated by

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smoke/vapor exiting the room when the door is opened - visible on the security cameras-, and evidence left at the site. In the latest instance, the police were contacted and the teens were escorted from the property and home, or to the La Sonata residence they were visiting.

**Parents, this is becoming a serious issue.** Yes, the door has been in need of repair and we have retained a handyman to fix that, however, there have been instances of key fobs being used to gain access as well. **La Sonata HOA Board of Directors policy is to ban any offenders, suspend any related key fobs, and a fine for additional cleaning of the Clubhouse due to smoke and vapor residue and any other damages.** Banning means that if that individual is found to be on HOA Common Property- Clubhouse, Pool, Fitness Room, Playground, Pond, or undeveloped green spaces, they will be charged with trespassing and removed by OKCPD. **Please sit your children down and have a discussion both what is acceptable and what is not, and make sure that any visiting friends are aware as well - if they are a guest visiting your home, you will be held responsible for their actions.** With the pool currently closed, and the fitness room age restricted to 14-17 year old being accompanied by a household member 18 or over, teens should be accompanied at the Clubhouse. This is not a place to hide away from adult eyes and do things that are unacceptable.

If you are at the Clubhouse and notice any unacceptable or suspicious activity, you may **report it anonymously by emailing [hoa@lasonata.org](mailto:hoa@lasonata.org) or leaving a voice message at 405-757-1886.** You may also report the activity to the **Oklahoma City Police Department by dialing 911.**

**Clubhouse parking-** Please remember that the parking lot at the Clubhouse is for the use of those using the Clubhouse. **This is not a place to park your vehicles for hours at a time during the day or overnight.** If you will have guests visiting for a few days, please contact the HOA for permission

to park extra vehicles at the Clubhouse. This will be given on a case by case basis. Any vehicles left without the owner using the facilities, or without HOA permission, are subject to being towed at the owner's expense.

**Overnight street parking** in LaSonata is not allowed (CCR 4.6). Overnight street parking is considered to be between 1 am and 6 am. Overnight parking in the street can end up costing homeowner a **\$100 fine.**

**Trash containers** ([Rules IV. D.7/Municipal Code Ch 49, Sec 45](#)) must be placed behind the front house building line. Trash and trash bins **may not be put out for pick up before 7:00 pm the evening before pick up and must be returned to their storage location by 8:00 pm the evening of pick up.** Placing trash out for pick up for a longer period is subject to a fine by the City of Oklahoma City and the La Sonata Homeowners Association.

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS**

*If you wish to speak to the Board about an issue, suggestions, etc, please contact [hoa@lasonata.org](mailto:hoa@lasonata.org) to request to be put on the next agenda.*

**January 12, 2021 6:30 PM, Zoom** - Board of Directors Meeting- Main Topic: 2020 Updates, Documents Review

**February 9, 2021 6:30 PM, Zoom** - Board of Directors Meeting - Main Topic: 2021 HOA Dues

## **UPCOMING EVENTS AND PROJECT UPDATES**

### **Finance**

*If you are interested in volunteering for the Finance Committee, please contact [hoa@lasonata.org](mailto:hoa@lasonata.org)*

2021 HOA Dues will be mailed out in mid-February. They will be due by March 31, 2021.

In Person Payment Days will be :  
**Saturday, March 6, 10am-2pm**

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**Sunday, March 14, 2-5pm**

**Thursday, March 18, 6-8pm**

**Tuesday, March 23, 6-8pm**

Payments may be made by requesting an **electronic invoice** (+\$7.00 processing fee) or **In-Person Payments** can be scheduled by emailing [hoa@lasonata.org](mailto:hoa@lasonata.org), or emailing or messaging the Treasurer or Secretary. Checks or money orders may be mailed to: **La Sonata HOA, 2301 NW 196th Street, Edmond, OK 73012**

**Payment arrangements can be made to pay off outstanding Dues balances** by emailing [hoa@lasonata.org](mailto:hoa@lasonata.org).

## Social

*If you are interested in volunteering for Social Committee, please contact [hoa@lasonata.org](mailto:hoa@lasonata.org)*

The Social Committee will be on their toes to ensure that any events held will be done with an eye to safety for the neighborhood as a whole. The City of OKC's COVID-19 Guidelines will be followed for indoor and outdoor events and plenty of hand sanitizer will be available. Wearing masks will be mandatory as long as the city requires it. They will need additional assistance to ensure everything is done within the safety guidelines, so if you have an interest, please contact Social Committee Chairperson **Kathy Walker** at [secretary@lasonata.org](mailto:secretary@lasonata.org).

## Infrastructure/Maintenance

*If you are interested in volunteering for Infrastructure/Maintenance Committee, please contact [hoa@lasonata.org](mailto:hoa@lasonata.org)*

**Exterior doors** will be repainted to freshen up the clubhouse's appearance. **Volunteers** will be needed to perform a few **handyman type repairs** such as re-leveling doors.

## Pond

*If you are interested in volunteering for Pond Committee, please contact [pond@lasonata.org](mailto:pond@lasonata.org)*  
The Pond Committee has made note of some

dumping at the pond. **Please do not attempt to feed the fish, and most certainly please do not attempt to feed them human food items or leftovers.** The pond has an eco-balance of it's own that must not be polluted in order to keep the fish healthy. **Anyone found dumping any items at the pond, including food, will be banned from the property and the police called for dumping activities.**

The Pond Committee will get rolling with some proposed improvements to add to the enjoyment of that area. Please consider lending a little time to this area by contacting Pond Committee Chairperson **Kelly Dunagan** at [pond@lasonata.org](mailto:pond@lasonata.org)

La Sonata's Fishing Pond is located at NW 198th St. and Vista Ave. Please remember that the pond is **CATCH AND RELEASE ONLY and there is NO SWIMMING allowed.** The pond is stocked with Channel Catfish, Grass Carp, Bass, Copper Nose Bluegill and Minnows.

## Beautification/Holiday Decorating

*If you are interested in volunteering for the Beautification/Holiday Decoration Committee, please contact [hoa@lasonata.org](mailto:hoa@lasonata.org)*

Volunteers will be needed to decorate the main entrance and Clubhouse with flags for **Memorial Day on Monday, May 31st.** If you are interested, please contact [hoa@lasonata.org](mailto:hoa@lasonata.org).

## Pool

The pool is currently **closed** for the season. The anticipated date for the pool to open for 2021 is **May 29, 2021.**

## Playground

*If you are interested in volunteering for Playground Committee, please contact [hoa@lasonata.org](mailto:hoa@lasonata.org)*  
The Playground has a new safety fence! If you have not seen it, take a moment to have a look! We wish to thank **Ms. Anne Baxter** for continuing to volunteer to change the trash liner weekly.