

# ***SPLASH! Newsletter - Spring 2023***



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## **2022 Completed Improvements**



Mulch spread along the sides of road to ball court to create a berm and help prevent washout.



Slope to ball field widened and graded for safety and to help prevent washout.



Replaced the rotted timber planter at the entry sign.

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## **UPDATE On Restoration of the Ball Court**



**BEFORE (Court in September of 2020)**



**AFTER (Court in November 2022)**

We have successfully revitalized court! The court was cleared, pruned, patched, sealed and painted with court lines for basketball and tennis! We are SO excited! The backboards on the hoops will be repainted and the tennis net will be installed in the coming months once the weather is a bit nicer. A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who has helped support the restoration by paying current dues, back dues and/or by chipping in a bit extra to make this a reality!

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The amount of dues received directly correlates to how many & which improvements the association can undertake in a given year. Please submit your current and back dues so that improvements can continue.

### **Ways to Pay Dues:**

- Mail a check to: SPEA P.O. Box 964 Forestdale, MA 02644-0708
- Make an ACH payment from your online banking portal.
- Turn a check into a board member.
- Online via PayPal
  - Provide your email to [techmanager@santuitpondstates.org](mailto:techmanager@santuitpondstates.org) and you will automatically receive an electronic invoice each year going forward where you can pay with the click of a button.
  - Search [treasurer@santuitpondstates.org](mailto:treasurer@santuitpondstates.org) while logged into your PayPal account and “send money”.
- For those with financial hardship an installment plan of \$6.25 a month is available. Just contact our treasurer at ([treasurer@santuitpondstates.org](mailto:treasurer@santuitpondstates.org))

### **WITHOUT YOU THERE CAN BE NO US. WAYS TO HELP!**

- New Neighbor Welcoming committee (time commitment 1 hour every couple months).
- “Street Reps” (time commitment 1-2 hours each month).
- Secretary & Treasurer (time commitment 2-3 hours each month).

#### **CLEAN UP DAY TASKS**

- Raking around the entrance sign. (Leaves may be dumped in the woods behind the sign as this is one of our common areas)
- Prepare entrance sign posts for painting and apply white exterior paint.
- Clear the leaves from the ball courts. Leaves may be dumped into the ravine alongside the path. that leads to courts on the field side.
- Trim growth around perimeter of field, especially where horseshoe pit will be built.
- Cut overhanging branches from ball courts.
- Clean up area around the sign at the ball field.
- Rake beach area.
- Remove fallen branches and overgrowth from beach parking area.

Anyone willing to help with any of the above tasks may do so at their convenience or attend the Annual Clean Up Day on May 13<sup>th</sup>.

Please reach out to Vice President Shirley Murray [vicepresident@santuitpondstates.org](mailto:vicepresident@santuitpondstates.org) for more information

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## Message from the President

Dear Friends & Neighbors,

Spring has arrived to rejuvenate our spirit and enthusiasm for the outdoors! The courts are ready to be enjoyed. Our spring clean-up will include some plans to add seating and storage for play equipment at the field and courts. Neighbors interested in playing tennis should contact me so we can get the net ready.

The board continues to work in our neighborhood's best interest maintaining our resources, enhancing community facilities and paying taxes/fees relevant to our community properties. We are always interested in your comments and suggestions regarding our community.

Your dues payment, volunteerism and support are vital to making our neighborhood a peaceful and comfortable place to live.

Invoices come in April, please do your share to help us continue to maintain and improve our common areas and network as a community.



*-Nancy McDermott, President*

### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

**SPRING MEETING/CLEAN UP DAY  
SATURDAY MAY 13<sup>TH</sup>**

**MEETING AT 10AM WITH CLEAN UP TO FOLLOW**

**All are encouraged to come out for any amount of time  
you have available. Leaf blowers, clippers and rakes  
are always helpful.**

**Many hands make light work! 😊**

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