



# Update

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## Renew Pool Tags Online Today, and Get Ready!

The MUD Board is working on a plan to reopen our pools as soon as allowed. When the pools reopen, it will be on a restricted schedule and will likely have new guidelines. We do not yet know opening dates or times, but our lifeguards will soon begin training so that everything will be ready to go. Be sure to watch for updates as the situation develops. In the meantime, residents are asked to renew your pool tags online. Renewals are done on the RecDesk website, <https://blockhouse.recdesk.com/Community/Home>.

**If you have already created an account**, renew your pool tag for 2020 by logging in and clicking the “Memberships” tab at the top of the screen. Follow the prompts to select the appropriate year’s pool tag. Your tag from 2019 or later will be reactivated, so no need to pick up a new tag, but reactivation will need to be verified at Tumlinson Pool during operating hours.

**If this is your first time to register and you have not received a pool tag**, you can register at the same site by clicking “Create Account”. Once you have created your account, make sure to add all members of your household by pressing the green “Add Household Member” button on the left side of your profile page. After adding all household members, complete the registration process by clicking on the “Memberships” tab at the top of the screen. Follow the prompts to select the appropriate year’s pool tag. Pool tags may be picked up at Tumlinson Pool once operations resume.

By registering for a pool tag, you agree to the Block House Facilities Agreement. A link to the agreement is found on the RecDesk site.

## Changes Approved for Solid Waste Services Effective June 1

On June 1, Texas Disposal Systems (TDS), the District’s Solid Waste Service provider, will implement changes to recycling and curbside pickup services to better accommodate resident needs.

The MUD Board worked with TDS to evaluate current service levels and provide options for future services based on the District’s Curbside and Bulky Waste Survey last fall.

**No changes to regular trash service** will occur; residents will still have trash picked up once each week.

TDS will pick up four (4) additional items or bags of trash each week placed next to your cart.

### Changes to services include:

- **Recycling** will be picked up **every other week** instead of once a week. The District receives a report from TDS monthly, and 90% of the recycling carts picked up weekly were not full and “contained air” per the report, so this change was acceptable based on usage.
- **Curbside Bulky Waste Pick Up**

## Watering Restrictions

With warm summer months upon us, and more time to spend outside for many of us, the MUD Board wishes to remind residents of our current Stage 2 watering restrictions. Visit the MUD website and click the link for Watering Restrictions on the home page to refresh your understanding.

## Amenity Closures

Apache Pool & Park amenities (playscape & water fountain), Jumano Park Community Center, Tonkawa Park amenities (playscape & water fountain), & Tumlinson Pool & Park amenities (pavilion, playscape, water fountains, sports courts, and restroom) remain CLOSED until further notice.

will continue with **three (3) pickups annually** instead of six (6) pickups. You will simply call TDS at 512-421-1340 to schedule a bulky waste pick up at the curb right in front of your home. A list of accepted items is included on the TDS web site at [www.texasdisposal.com](http://www.texasdisposal.com). This is the time to get your excess bulky items picked up at the curbside before these changes take place.

- **Two (2) Community Cleanups** will be scheduled during the calendar

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**Stage 2 watering restrictions (two days per week) are in effect for Block House MUD**

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## Amenity Addresses

Walker House, Tumlinson Park and Pool -  
2600 S. Block House Drive  
Apache Park and Pool -  
3100 Block House Drive  
Tonkawa Park - 301 Susan Lane  
Bike Trail - 2601 S. Block House Drive

## Walker House Hours

In accordance with state mandate, the Walker House MUD office is temporarily closed. Call 512-259-0959 for assistance.

## Upcoming Events

May 10: Mother's Day  
May 25: Memorial Day  
May 27: MUD Board Meeting

## See Something? Always Report Suspicious Activity

Block House residents are again reminded that crime never stops, even during a pandemic! Please take care to be aware of your surroundings, and always vigilant in protecting your car, home, and other property from theft and vandalism.

The Board of Directors reminds everyone to lock your doors (house and car), turn on exterior lights in the evening, and never leave valuables or your garage door opener inside your vehicle. Parking inside your garage is the safest, but your driveway is the next best. Never store firearms inside your vehicle.

If you witness any suspicious or illegal activity, please call the Williamson County Sheriff's Office. If you see a crime in progress, do not hesitate to call 911. Trying to engage a person suspected of committing a crime can be very dangerous.

Be vigilant inside and around your home, and keep an eye on your neighbors' homes, too, even now while so many people are home during the day. This can be a great time to get to know your neighbors a little better, from a safe distance. Let's all help maintain the things that make Block House great.

## Meet Your MUD Board Members: Byron Koenig

*Byron Koenig currently serves as the Board Treasurer*



Byron Koenig is a true "good ol' boy" Native Texan and deeply devoted family man. Born in Houston, Byron moved to Cedar Park, Texas at the age 10, and later graduated from the original Leander High School. He earned and maintains his professional electrical license and has been practicing the trade for 36+ years. He is currently employed with The University of Texas and consequently bleeds burnt orange. He married his wife Diane in 1998 and moved to Block House Creek Subdivision in 1999 where he still lives today. Their 2 children, Audrey and Quinton, attended Block House Creek elementary where students, teachers and administration knew him by name and as "the man to call" because of all the time he spent volunteering at the LISD schools.

Byron was the Scout Master of his son's Boy Scout troop which led him to work closely with the BH MUD board as well as the BHC OA board. He has spent countless hours volunteering in the community and truly knows the subdivision and its history like the back of his hand.

As our neighborhood grows, Byron is very passionate about preserving our family-first community and works diligently to preserve what has for years been his family's home.

## Solid Waste Pickup Changes, *continued from front page*

year at the Jumano Community Center for residents who prefer to bring bulky waste to a drop off location. The cleanup day will still have specific guidelines for items that will and will not be accepted, and residents will need to provide a water bill and photo ID.

Sign up for the TDS Waste Wizard to keep track of your collection days – once you sign up a reminder will be emailed or texted directly to you.

Please watch the District's newsletter for information about the Community Cleanup day tentatively scheduled in June.