



NORTHWOOD TRAILS NEWSLETTER

March - April 2015

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NOTES FROM YOUR BOARD PRESIDENT

By Julie Pickerill

Spring is the perfect time to begin sprucing up your yard and exterior of your house. Please keep in mind we all need to work together to keep our home values high.

One thing to keep in mind is our neighborhood has one of the lowest dues in the entire area. Keeping our dues low has been a consistent mainstay in our neighborhood. The reason we can keep our dues low is because of the many volunteers we have working behind the scenes for very little credit. We could sure use more volunteers not only as board members, but also as members of committees. The Social, Pool, Pond and Grounds committees are always looking for more volunteers to help with all of the activities and upkeep each committee has for each year.

If you have not yet done so, I encourage you to register with eNeighbors (our website). There you will find information on upcoming meetings, social events, classified ads, etc. Registration is easy. Just follow the instructions at the end of this newsletter.

Dues invoices were sent out on January 1st. If you did not pay your dues by March 1st, you will be getting a reminder billing and a \$35 late-payment penalty will have been added. The only source of income to

Northwood Trails is the annual dues you pay as a member of the homes association. The homes association is legally obligated to provide for certain services to maintain the value of the neighborhood and depends on the dues income for this purpose. If you have not yet paid your 2015 dues, please do so now.

The next board meeting is on March 10th at 7:00 pm. The April board meeting is on the 14th, also at 7:00 pm. We meet at Grace United Methodist Church across the street. As usual, the first 30 minutes is reserved for member input.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEWS

By Gerry Buehler

Hop! Hop! Hop! We will have many kids hopping up and down with excitement on Saturday morning, April 4th. Be there at 10:00 a.m. for a photo opportunity with THE BUNNY and to select a beautiful balloon. (We will have three balloon artists at work.)

Please remember to bring a canned food donation to help restock a local food pantry.

Next on our NWT agenda will be the Annual Spring Garage Sale on May 1st and 2nd. Signs will be posted at the entrances.

You may post your sale items on eNeighbors.

Also coming soon:

May 23rd – Pool Opening Party

Would you like to join our industrious and fun committee?! Contact Gerry at 913-894-0154, or gerrybuehler@sbcglobal.net. Committee meetings are usually the first Thursday of each month.

POOL COMMITTEE NEWS

By Chuck Nigro

We are looking forward to another fun year at the pool. Overland Park Pools will again be responsible for maintaining our water quality as they did in 2014. They will also be responsible for Pool Management in 2015. We will still hire our own attendants and they will be supervised by Overland Park Pools.

The Pool Committee is implementing some other changes in operation for 2015. These changes are:

1-**Vending machines will be removed and not provided.** The space will be used for other purposes. Problems with the proper functioning of the equipment and cost of product are the reasons for this decision.

2-The pool sign-in form will be reinstituted for use by all MIGS and their guests.

3-The Pool Information and Emergency Form required to be completed in order to receive your pool sticker will **NOT BE MAILED** out to you this year. It is available on the E-neighbors web site. Please print it off, complete it and bring it to the pool to pick up your 2015 sticker and new card if you have lost the old one. There is a \$5 charge for replacing the card.

Find out everything you ever wanted to know about the secrets of operating a pool of NWT's size. Join the Pool Committee by contacting Chuck Nigro at 859-0359. It is an adventure that you will cherish forever.

The May Newsletter will have more information about the pool opening and closing.

REMEMBER IF YOU HAVE NOT PAID YOUR NWT DUES YOU CANNOT USE THE POOL.

ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE NEWS

By Tim Wilson

We are still having some cooler temperatures but we have enjoyed some days of warmer weather as well. The Architectural Review Committee reminds all owners that several types of home improvement projects require review and/or approval of the Architectural Review Committee prior to them being started.

These projects may include:

- Replacement of a roof – specific to the type of material used;
- Replacement of siding and windows – specific to the types of material used;
- Installation of a new fence – location and type of fencing material used;
- Construction of a deck;
- Installation of a satellite dish;
- Removal of trees;
- And more.

The complete listing of home improvement projects subject to review can be found in the Northwood Trails Restrictions. The Home Improvement Request Form, which should be completed and forwarded to the Architectural Review Committee when home improvement projects are planned, can be found on the NWT eNeighbors website.

Questions, etc., regarding home improvement projects and the Architectural Review Committee can be directed to myself via the eNeighbors site as well.

We look forward to helping you plan your projects while keeping NWT beautiful.

NEW NEIGHBORS

The following families have recently moved into Northwood Trails. If you are new to the neighborhood, and have not been listed here, please contact Julie Pickerill at 495-9514.

Tina Pinneo

18543 West 117th Street

Blake and Sara Harris

18893 West 117th Street

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

By Jerry Bakker

Work on College Boulevard between Ridgeview and Renner will be started up again as soon as the temperatures are warm enough for asphalt and concrete and will not take long to complete.

The Johnson County Gateway project will continue to effect traffic on K10, I35 and I435. For up to date information on road and lane closings, go to jocogateway.com where you can also sign up for text alerts.

CONTACT US

The Northwood Trails newsletter is published bi-monthly.

To contact the Northwood Trails Homes Association, e-mail Fox Foxworthy, Secretary, cfoxworthy@ha-kc.org, or for the newsletter send an e-mail to Jerry Bakker, editor, at gbakker2@comcast.net.

eNeighbors

Haven't registered yet? Follow these instructions:

1. Go to <http://www.eneighbors.com/> and search for "Northwood Trails"
2. Click "Join Neighborhood"
3. Click "Join by using my street address instead."
4. Complete the sign up form and follow the on-screen instructions to finish

If you need technical support with the website, please send an email to support@eneighbors.com for help.

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