



NORTHWOOD TRAILS

Newsletter

September - October 2018

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NOTES FROM YOUR BOARD

PRESIDENT

By Julie Pickerill

With fall being just around the corner now is the time to begin thinking about sprucing up your yard. This summer was particularly brutal on the grass, bushes, and especially trees. Please be mindful that if you have a dead or dying tree to get it removed in a timely manner. Don't forget late September to early October is one of the best times to reseed your yard.

Your yard extends beyond your fence. Please keep that area mowed and weeded.

The next board meeting is on Tuesday, September 11th at 7pm at Grace Church. As usual, the first 30 minutes is reserved for member input. We will begin working on the budgets for next year at the September board meeting.

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 4 | NWT Doggie Dive
6:00pm – 7:00pm @ The Pool

September 11 | NWT Board Meeting
7:00pm – 9:00pm @ Grace Church

September 14-15 | Fall Garage Sale

October 6 | 2nd Annual NWT BBQ Competition
5:00pm – 7:00pm @ The Pool Tower Parking Lot

October 9 | NWT Board Meeting
7:00pm – 9:00pm @ Grace Church

SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEWS

By Heather Olson

Thank you to our volunteers, neighbors and families that made the annual ice cream social a delicious hit! There is nothing better than an afternoon of swimming, neighbors and free ice cream!

As we wrap up a summer of fun, we will open the pool for an evening of fun with our four-legged friends! Join the NWT Social Committee at the pool on Tuesday, September 4 for the Annual Doggie Dive! There will be treats for the pups and neighbors! To ensure the safety of all attendees, swimming is reserved for dogs only. The fun does not stop there, the NWT Social Committee will be hosting the 2nd Annual NWT BBQ Competition on Saturday, October 6 in the pool tower parking lot. Information on BBQ team registration will be posted on eNeighbors and the NWT Facebook group.

Interested in joining the NWT Social Committee? We have a variety of volunteer opportunities, from attending monthly meetings to planning upcoming events to being on our call-to-action email list. Contact Heather Olson if you are interested in learning about these exciting opportunities.

GROUNDS COMMITTEE NEWS

By Fox Foxworthy

By now, the path replacement between 116th St and 117th St from Northwood Dr eastward to Ridgeview Dr has likely been completed, or soon will be. Next year, path replacement is

currently planned for west of Northwood Dr between 116th and 117th and for the short path just north of 116th St, running from 115th Terrace to the county path. Path replacement is a long-term project that should be completed within three to four more years.

If you are interested in participating on the Grounds Committee, or if you have any input you'd like to share, you can send me an email at fox1948@yahoo.com. If you notice any damage to any of the common areas, please take a moment to let me know with an email. That will enable us to take any action necessary promptly.

POND COMMITTEE NEWS

By Pat Madden

As we finish another summer I would like to make acknowledgements to all those supporting the pond, especially Luke Weber and Jim Buehler for fighting the algae and weeds with the dry, hot summer (and with much success). Keith Read for diligently maintaining the aerators, even though the north aerator was zapped by lightning and required major repairs. Dave Starks, for fighting the elements, vandalism and critters to keep the fish feeder operational all summer. And thank you to all those residents who police trash around the pond including Chuck Nigro who constantly empties the dock trash.

And thank you to the entire pond committee for participating in the resurfacing of the dock in mid-August. What started out as a minor review to determine the structural integrity of the dock, blossomed into a resurfacing task. The supporting joists remained in good shape, but the decking was not. The pond committee has removed the existing benches and decking and replaced it with new, treated lumber. The deck is complete, but we are still in the process of replacing the benches, which we hope to finish by October. We have lumber stored on the dock for the benches so we ask that you leave it alone. We have temporarily removed the fish feeder until the benches are back in place.

Although the dock was closed for a week during the repairs, the fish were still cooperative for all shore fisherman, and the entire pond is now open again. All of these tasks are done voluntarily and save all of us residents a lot of money. Plus, it's fun isn't it? Just ask any volunteer committee member!

Mission Possible: We Called for Volunteers. You Answered.

Last month, we included a special article sharing a call for volunteers for the neighborhood and in particular for Board leadership. We are pleased to report several residents have volunteered to serve and we will be able to fill vacancies for the year ahead.

The Annual Meeting, which will take place in November, will give residents the opportunity to vote these volunteers into service for 2019. The Annual Meeting is a critical voting opportunity for NWT residents. Agenda items this year will include an annual report, budget/dues updates, a proposal for by-laws revisions and more. Additional details will be shared as we approach the meeting.

POOL COMMITTEE NEWS

By Ian Tillinghast

This year's pool season is quickly winding down. The last day for people swimming will be on Monday (Labor Day), September 4th with the pool opening at 11am. Then on September 4th with help from the Social committee we will have the doggie dive again this year from 6pm - 7pm. Please remember the doggie dive is for dogs not people and you must be a member in good standing for this event too. This pool season has been a great success and it was made possible with help from everyone on the pool committee, pool attendants, and Overland Park Pools who maintained the pool once again this year so thank you for your time and efforts. I would also like to thank all the members of NWT for taking care of our pool, the pool is a great asset to our neighborhood and we all

have a vested interest in making sure it is taken care of for years to come. Any items in the lost and found not claimed by the end of the season will be donated. If you are interested in joining the pool committee, please contact me at (913) 981-3780. Thank you again.

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NEW NEIGHBORS

Please welcome these new neighbors:

Sara E Corella - 18863 West 115th Terrace

Stephanie Hashmi – 18535 West 116th Street

Thomas & Abby Langlitz – 18330 West 117th Street