

NORTHERN HEIGHTS NEIGHBOR NEWS

Your Community Association Newsletter



THE CHILDREN'S PARK

At last November's Annual Northern Heights Community Association meeting, we spent some time discussing the children's park. Specifically, we talked about the location of the little kids' section, currently at the lower or Roma Road end of the park.

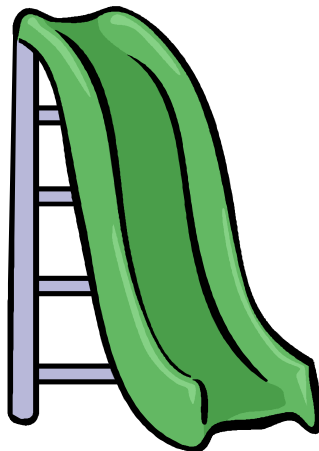
One of the concerns is that the play equipment is in disrepair, and is dirty beyond our ability to clean it. The community gave the Board authorization to spend up to \$10,000 to replace the equipment, and encouraged the Board to look for matching grant money to keep our expenses as low as possible.

The biggest concern, however, is that the area is dark and gloomy. Large trees surround the area, keeping it cold and damp most of the time. Further, given the dank look, it just seems uninviting. We talked about whether we should move this play area, either to the middle of the park or to the top of the park. We indicated we would seek community opinion, especially from those members of the community whose

properties about the park, before making any final decisions.

The Board will devote the first part of its monthly meeting in June to this issue. If you would like to be heard on this subject, please attend the June Board meeting and share your thoughts. It will be:

June 15, 2010 at 7:15 pm
1351 McLeod Road



Please plan to attend and bring your good ideas with you!

GARAGE SALE

ALERT! The Northern Heights garage sale will be on Saturday, June 12th from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm or later. The Board will place an ad in the Herald.



REALTOR FLYER

You recently received a mailed flyer from Jon Hansen at Lakeway Realty regarding houses for sale in this area, and recommending certain home repair contractors. The flyer was sent using the NHCA logo and formatting (note this newsletter format) without our authorization. This is the second time this has occurred with Lakeway Realty.

Please be aware that the Board is **NOT** endorsing Jon Hansen, or the contractors he recommended. We have sent formal letters each time asking him to cease and desist using our logo.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Where did the summer go? **I'm not ready for six months of rain!!!!**

We've had a successful year. We were able to keep within budget, complete major projects and we had tremendous input from our two newest Board members, Taylor Rhea and Marty Sauvage.

I know you'll want to help them in the new year by volunteering for the Board. This was my second term and Roberta's 4th straight year. We are retiring for a while and may ask to serve again but in the mean time Marty and Taylor will need some of you to assist in the coming year. It's rewarding. Really! ***It's our neighborhood!***

At this annual meeting we will be discussing **dues** and as mentioned above, electing new Board members with additional reports regarding the NHCA park, the Detention Pond and more.

I want to share a special thanks to those residents who gave their time to plant flowers in the common area, fix equipment at the park, organize the Easter Egg Hunt, work with the school and help our neighbors in need last winter. Thank You.

Pete Griffin
President, Northern Heights



2010 ANNUAL MEETING

The Board has set Thursday, November 4, 2010 as the date for the Northern Heights Community Association annual meeting. The meeting is held in the school's auditorium and doors open at 6:00 pm. **As always, there will be a drawing for free annual dues, but you must be present to win.**

If you cannot attend please provide your proxy vote to a Board member. We must have a legal quorum to conduct business.

BOARD ELECTIONS

Once again, Board elections will be held at the annual meeting. Four positions will be vacant, one with a one-year term and three with two-year terms. Please consider serving your community, become a Board member!

TREES AND SHRUBS

Please be sure the sidewalks in front of your house (and along the side of corner properties) are walkable.

Low-hanging branches make it difficult to walk on the sidewalks, especially when those branches are heavy with rain water. Please don't make our kids walk in the street.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Wendy Barrett, Principal of Northern Heights Elementary, has asked for our help in volunteer activities.

Specifically, she needs:

1. Volunteers for the "Back on Track" reading tutoring program. This is working one-on-one with students who need additional practice with oral reading and fluency. The school will provide training.

2. Volunteers and resources for specific areas of study. The school would like to build a bank of people who have artifacts from travel, cultural experiences, specific talents, interests, and so forth.

3. Volunteers with knowledge of other cultures/countries to assist with Culture Clubs. Clubs are forming that will meet once a month for 45 to 60 minutes and explore other cultures.

If you are able to assist in any of these activities, please contact Northern Heights Elementary at 647-6820.

School is in session – please drive carefully!

See you at the meeting!