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Northbrook Property Owners Association

Northbrook News

September 2009



Congratulations! August Yard of the Month – 10627 Albury Dr.

Thanks to all our neighbors who participated this year. Despite the drought we had some nice looking yards this year.

2009 National Night Out
Tuesday October 6, 2009 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Please join us for this year's National Night Out. This will be a great opportunity for you to meet your neighbors. HPD and Brays Oaks management will be present to talk about our area and safety.

Fried chicken, baked beans, lots of side dishes, including chips & salads, and ice cold water to drink will be provided. Please bring a dessert to share!

October 6 will be the last day that the pool is open this season. Turn out has been great this year, and we are looking forward to next year's swim season. If you have changes and/or ideas you would like to see, please e-mail or join us at a monthly meeting.

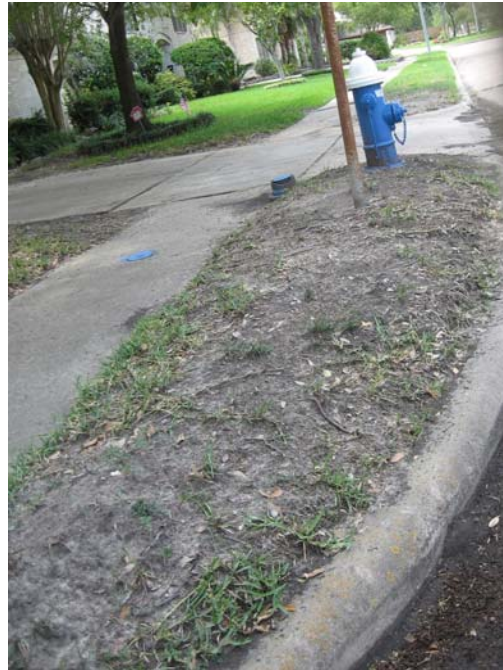
Deed Restrictions

Lawn Care

Growing grass under certain oak trees in Houston is a costly proposition. The trees must be trimmed yearly to allow the sun to reach the grass. If you are not willing to put forth the money and energy there is another solution. Planting a ground cover is the way to go.

A drought resistant ground cover is inexpensive to purchase, easy to plant, and requires minimum care when established. After planting, just keep the roots watered until they take hold. Thereafter you will only need to trim the ground cover about once a year - you can skip the trimming for the first year.

Here are some pictures of front and side lawns visible to all residents and visitors as they drive through Northbrook. The bald lawns make our neighborhood look ugly, annoy immediate neighbors, and lower property values. The solution is so simple. Delia Cowles



Pictures with ground cover.



SECTION 7.15 "The owner of each Lot shall maintain the same, and the improvements, trees, hedges, and plantings thereon, in a neat and attractive condition. . . ."

Security

This summer has been great. The pool was tremendously popular, and with rare exceptions, it was enjoyed by Northbrook homeowners and their invited guests, exclusively. It is a good feeling to know that our yearly assessments are going to the enjoyment of Northbrook homeowners and not to opportunistic strangers. I would like to take a moment and to thank the last four year's board members. For if it wasn't for them volunteering their time to make a difference in our small community, we would still have nonresidents taking advantage of our greenways and poolside areas.

The only problem I have noted are key holders to the greenways not locking the gates after they go through. I have witnessed people neglecting to take this

responsibility, asked them to please lock the gates behind them, and I still find one or more unlocked on a daily basis. I even watched a key holder pretend to lock it when they saw me looking. I am still trying to figure that one out.

Adults take the initiative. Lock the gates up behind you. Talk to the young ones you have bestowed a key upon. Let them know that there are dangers in the world, and this is one way to protect them from harm. Locking the gates takes all of a few seconds and can mean the difference between having a wonderful time and having to file a police report or worse. You wouldn't leave your doors unlocked would you?

National night out is scheduled for October 6, 2009. NPOA will be having a get to know your neighbor at the clubhouse that evening. There will be food and HPD usually pays us a visit and gives advice about how to not be a victim. This is a great place to meet people in the neighborhood. So come on out stretch your legs. We would love to meet you.

Mark Preslock
District 5

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HPD at 713-884-3131**

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