



NORTHWOOD TRAILS

Newsletter

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Notes From Your Board President

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Well, it looks like many changes are in store for all of us as Fall approaches. The school year is certainly different, and I know this creates many challenges for families. We have navigated the summer with the changes in the use of the pool, many of us working from home, and many neighbors facing other situations. I can only say how much

I appreciate our neighbors and neighborhood and the generous and kind gestures. We have seen the signs of encouragement, families helping other families, children creating and sharing, and so much more. I hope that we can continue and show the spirit of being good neighbors.

I applaud and will take the opportunity to thank, whenever possible, the many volunteers that have continued to ensure that our pool is operational and our pond is beautiful. Our social committee provides wonderful treats, and our common areas are maintained – they do work tirelessly.

If you, or someone you know, should be highlighted in our newsletter, please reach out to me –I would love to share.

Typically our board meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of each month at Grace Church beginning at 7 p.m. The first 30 minutes of the meetings are reserved for homeowner input. If there is anything you would like to share or questions or concerns you have, please attend the meetings and let us know. The past few months we have been meeting at the pool tower or via Zoom to remain socially distant. If you would like to attend, reach out to any board member to confirm the location or login information.

Tuesday, September 8

Doggie Dive

Saturday, September 19

Fishing Derby

Friday-Saturday, September 25-26

Fall Garage Sale

Saturday, October 3

Family Fall Event

Follow posts on eNeighbors.com and Facebook (Northwood Trails - KS) for updates on events.

Do you need anything?

Our hospitality committee is here to help. Contact Brittany Craemer at hospitalityNWT@gmail.com.

Pool Committee News

Jared Olson

The pool committee would like to thank the neighborhood for their support throughout the season. We hope you all enjoyed the experience. If you ever have any ideas or suggestions on how to better the experience never hesitate to contact the pool committee. Joining the committee is always an option as well. Until next season have a great fall and warm winter season.

Notes from the Nominating Committee

Julie Rippberger

Northwood Trails' annual meeting will be conducted in November, and as part of that process, we are recruiting individuals for the board. Positions include administrative roles such as President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, as well as committee representatives for the pool, pond, and grounds.

The time commitment varies by the position held but varies from 2-3 hours a month for primarily administrative positions and 10 or more for individuals in charge of a committee.

We are in particular need of an individual who loves design and would be willing to take over the newsletter. Lindy has done a great job with our newsletter for the past few years and will be available to help during the transition. She uses InDesign for the format and estimates the time commitment to be approximately eight hours per newsletter.

If you have questions or would like your name on the ballot, please contact Julie Rippberger at 913-269-7116.

Social Committee News

Heather Olson

The Northwood Trails Social Committee enjoyed seeing so many smiling faces at the second Cool Treat gathering last month!

Next up is the Doggie Dive at the pool on Tuesday, September 8. We look forward to meeting everyone's four-legged family members. For the health and safety of all participants, swimming is for dogs only and owners are asked to clean up after their dogs. Please remember to respect social distancing.

For details on all social events, including the Family Fall event in October, please visit Facebook and eNeighbors.com.

Architectural Committee News

Tom Harrington

Our HOA requires you to fill out a one page Architectural Review Request form for these projects that affect the exterior appearance of your home:

- Tree removal
- Roofing materials and color
- Fence height and materials (only back yard fences are allowed)
- Additions or modifications of decks or patio coverings
- Other projects such as hot tubs and swimming pools
- Satellite dish/antenna placement on outside of structures (less common now with good cable)

This form can be found in the Public Documents on eNeighbors.com.

Reminders for new residents: while vinyl siding isn't allowed in Northwood Trails, vinyl windows are, and they're the most common replacement window installed. Our Deed Restrictions have been supplemented with updated roofing materials guidelines, as these products are constantly improved.

Long term-parking of items such as trailers and boats in driveways isn't allowed. A newer east Olathe subdivision specifies "temporary parking....must be moved in 72 hours." Our Restrictions cover this in Paragraph 20(d), which doesn't specify a time limit, but their 72hours/3 days is a good rule of thumb. I appreciate each and every one of our Northwood Trails residents, our neighborhood wouldn't be special without you.



The Bloomer family basketball showdown

Grounds Committee News

Fox Foxworthy

Path replacement is currently planned for September or October. Letters will be sent to those affected prior to the start of work.

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 promptly take any action necessary.

Pond Committee News

Pat Madden

The big news this month is the annual Northwood Trails Fishing Derby (flyer enclosed in this newsletter). It will be Saturday, September 19 from 9-11:30 a.m. Kids ages newborn to 14 years old can compete! There will be food, fun, fish, balloons and prizes. Come on down to the north side of the pond and pick up registrations and a burrito and start fishing. Please wear masks and respect social distancing. As with

all fishing at the pond, it is CATCH AND RELEASE and open to all RESIDENTS of Northwood Trails.

The pond is located at the north end of Northwood Trails between 114th Terrace – Hunter Street and Millview – Northwood Circle. It is accessible by the trail system. Bring the kids for a GREAT morning. See you there!



Brady Poston and 3-year-old son Benjamin fishing at our neighborhood pond. Benjamin caught more fish than his dad!

Welcome, New Neighbors

Katherine & Chad Thomas, 18820 West 117th St.

Kataia Roland, 18610 West 117th St.

Cameron Austin, 18727 West 115th Terr.

Colin O'Donnell, 18991 West 118th St.

Brian & Brooke Berry, 11550 South Skyview Ln.

Jonathan & Erin Seib, 18347 West 117th St.

Robert Helton, 18985 West 117th Terr.

Blake & Hailey Nearmyer, 18825 West 117th St.

John Pyron, 18725 West 116th St.

Steven & Narissa Wren, 11501 South Millview Rd.

Jonathan Hamilton, 18302 West 114th St.

Yamileth & Jerry Balmer, 18420 West 117th St.

Did you know?

Tucked away on the east side of the Johnson County Sunset Drive office buildings is a beautiful K-State Research and Extension demonstration garden gallery. According to their website, the purpose of this teaching garden is to display a diverse palette of plants for the home landscape. It is maintained by Johnson County K-State Research and Extension Master Gardeners.

The garden is open year round and is a great place for a lunchtime picnic or an evening walk. You may even find some kidness rocks!





Thank you, neighbors!

We want to thank Riley Suida for taking such good care of the animals entrusted to her and for taking care of the puppy we adopted. Riley made it so easy to adopt the puppy by letting our kids have repeated

visits with the puppy while we decided if we could give her a good fit. I can tell Riley really loved this puppy, and I wanted to say thank you for taking such great care of her.

- The VandenHull family

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- Search for “Northwood Trails.” Email support@eneighbors.com for technical assistance.

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- Neighborhood group: “Northwood Trails - KS.”
- Buying and selling: “Northwood Trails Buy, Sell, Trade”
- Children’s play group: “NWT Playgroup”