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The Armour Star

The Newsletter of the Armour Fields Home Owners Association.
Including homes in Armour Fields and Romanelli Gardens.

March Newsletter



Hi Neighbors!

A new season is upon us - hello spring!

Thank you to all who pulled out snow shovels and snowblowers to help keep our sidewalks clear. This helps keep the neighborhood safe and buzzing.

See you around!

The Armour Fields HOA



Armour Fields HOA Budget Update

The board passed the 2019-2020 fiscal year budget at our last board meeting. There are minor changes from last years budget. The highlights are that the overall financial strength of our HOA is strong and continues to improve each year. It's been a goal the last few years to improve late payments and collections which has made great improvements - thank you all! As no surprise to anyone we were 40% over for snow removal this year, the first time we've gone over in 5 years. We had enough leftover to cover this from previous years.



Our Security Company

Chesley Brown International
816-918-3652

Remember, they will do house checks for folks on vacation. Just give them a call to set up when you know you will be away from your house.



George Medina Team

*#1 Team in Selling 64113
for the Past Decade*
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Banana Island Grass

The Banana Island (in the middle of the 600 block of 70th street), is a favorite of neighbors to gather and play on. This past spring, summer and fall it has been used quite a lot - which is great! However, the grass seemed to take an extra toll. It's always a challenge on our island especially because we do not have water hooked up for watering the existing grass or new seed. We've reseeded a few times now with very little success.

This has lead the board to investigate alternative routes. One we are considering is artificial turf. A few neighbors have actually turned to this in their yards, which has helped lead us to the investigation.

Right now we are in the research phase, collecting quotes and trying to decide if it is even a viable option.

There are pros and cons on the list for this option.

Some you may not know;


- The grass stays green all year round
- No maintenance required
- There are recycled options

As mentioned above this is simply an idea at this point. The board plans on bringing this up at the annual meeting in June, open to all residents.

Upcoming Events

April 9th is the Spring Leaf & Brush Collection by KC Water Services

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CURBSIDE COLLECTION

- ▶ Same day as trash/recycling collection
- ▶ Curbside by 7 a.m.
- ▶ Limit of 20 sacks and/or bundles
- ▶ Paper sacks only.
- ▶ Brush bundled 4'x2' with twine only
- ▶ No duct tape
- ▶ No trash
- ▶ Call 3-1-1 within 24 hours to report a miss.

KCWATERSERVICES.ORG/LEAF-BRUSH/



Easter Egg Hunt

Armour Fields Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday April 20th at 11am on the Banana Island (600 block of 70th Street)

Spring is here - that means it's time for Spring Cleaning

The spring dumpster day is always very popular among residents. We are working on getting a date scheduled for this May.

In preparation for that we know you will all be doing some spring cleaning. To help we asked our local Armour Fields resident Gwen Hoefer - a professional organizer at [Bee Organized Kansas City](#) - to give us her best tips.

Here are three questions to ask yourself when purging:

1. Does this item make me HAPPY now?
2. Is this item USEFUL now or in the very near future (next 12 mos.)
3. Is this item VALUABLE or IRREPLACEABLE?
 1. That doesn't mean you KEEP it, ask yourself #1 and #2
 2. Can you sell it? Give it away? Can you honor it in a different way?

Want more tips send Gwen an email [here](#).

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If you would like to get to know your board or have a question we would love to hear from you! Find out more about the Armour Fields Home Owners Association [here](#).

The Armour Fields Homes Association Board is made up of volunteers who live in the HOA. Below is our current list of board members:

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