

Northridge Parkway Homeowners' Association

A Newsletter for the Northridge Parkway Community

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2003 NORTHRIDGE PARKWAY HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION VOLUNTEER BOARD MEMBERS

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GREETINGS TO OUR NEIGHBORS!

This newsletter comes out twice a year and you are all invited to contribute to it. Please contact Deanne Stuart at _____ or _____ with any information or ideas for the newsletter to come in December.

VANDALISM AT MOORE PARK

The Association received a letter from the Ames Police Department regarding vandalism at Moore Memorial Park. City Park and Rec staff have reported ongoing incidents of vandalism to the restrooms and the observation tower. The Police Department has now begun extra patrol in our area. They have also requested us to contact them at _____ if we see any suspicious activity or vehicles at the park. There is a city law that states a person cannot be in a city park after 10:30 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact the Community Resource Officer, Mark Mills at _____

JUST DOO-DOO IT

This is a reminder to pet owners that either walk their animals and/or let their pets run when off of a leash.

According to section 3.119 of the City Municipal Code, any person who walks an animal on private or public grounds shall be responsible for the proper and immediate disposal of the solid waste excreted by that animal, except when the animal is on the owner's or keeper's property. Please note that this section does not apply to an animal under control of a handicapped person and specially trained for the purpose of assisting handicapped persons.

It is a Municipal Infraction to allow your pet to soil a neighbor's property or public property and infractions may be reported by citizens. There is a \$30 fine for a first violation. The first repeat violation warrants a \$100 fine and subsequent repeat violations warrant a \$200 fine each. Please exercise your good neighbor manners and clean up after your pet. Our children enjoy playing in our green spaces and yards, don't make it a hazard for them. Thank you.

NORTHRIDGE GARAGE SALE

Due to the popularity of a development-wide garage sale last year, we will do it again. This time, we will try one in the fall. The date will be Saturday, September 20. If you plan to participate, please contact Deanne Stuart at _____ or e-mail her at _____. Thanks.

NORTHRIDGE WEBSITE

Check out www.northridge-ames.us. Our website has the restrictive covenants for all 18 additions, application for fence/dog run, maps of all kinds, newsletters, photos, and committee information. Thanks again to Dan Stadtler.

NEED TO LOCATE A PROPERTY LINE?

If you are planning to put in a garden, fence or something else and need to know where your property line is, contact Bob Steffes at _____. He has the Association's steel pin finder and will help you with this task. This tool is used to locate underground property line lot pins or the corners of a lot.

REMINDER OF DOG RUN COVENANT

"Any dog run, trash receptacle, tool shed, or other outside structure of like nature shall be properly screened by shrubbery or by a decorated fence, or both." Please be a good neighbor and screen your outside structure. For an application, download one from our website at www.northridge-ames.us.

GOLF BALL DAMAGE - AGAIN

Once again we need to remind people that hitting hard golf balls in our neighborhood causes damage to property and/or could hurt the children playing outside. We especially are having a problem at Aspen and Evergreen. Please use the hollow practice balls. Save the hard golf balls for the golf course.

THANKS TO CARROLL MARTY & BOB SHIRK

Carroll Marty was responsible for getting nearly 20 volunteers together to plant 187 perennials and 27 trees in the North Forty and the north entrance to Northridge Parkway. Thank you to our volunteers for keeping the Northridge Parkway neighborhood looking so good.

Thanks to Bob Shirk for his efforts to beautify Monet Pond (formerly known as "Green" Pond). It is looking great!

PATH REPAIR

Damage to paths due to tree root growth is ultimately the responsibility of the individual homeowners.

Also, a reminder to those neighbors doing landscaping and/or construction, walkway paths are not designed to support loaded landscaping Bobcats or trucks hauling dirt. Please do not use the paths for this purpose. Damage may not be immediately noticeable, but it will happen.

Please inform Marvin Meek at **ASAP** if you know of any paths that are in need of repair in Northridge. We know repair is needed on the path between Valley View and Hemlock Circle and between Monet and Cattail Ponds. We will be getting bids for these repairs and want to take care of all repairs at the same time.

POND SAFETY

- * **No swimming is allowed in the ponds.**
- * **Please refrain from throwing landscaping rocks into the ponds.**

WATER THE GREEN SPACE PLANTS

If it isn't too much trouble, please water our green space bushes, flowers and trees. After all the hard work of the volunteers to create these beautiful areas, let us show our appreciation by keeping those plants alive and healthy.

RECREATIONAL VEHICLES AND BOATS

As a courtesy to your neighbors and for the safety of our children, please do not park your recreational vehicle nor boat on your lot or public property for a period of time longer than 48 hours, as per the Ames city code and your covenants.

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Thanks!

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