

Northridge Homeowners' Association

A Newsletter for the Northridge Community

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Volunteer Needed

Three of the current board members, Janean Hauser, Marvin Meek, And Ahmad Abu-Hawash are at the end of there service terms on the board. Two homeowners have graciously agreed to serve on the new board. We are in need of one more person to volunteer. Please call a current board member if you are interested.

2003 Volunteer Board

Janean Hauser-President
Liaison-Restrictive Covenants
Marvin Meek-Vice President
Liaison-Greenspace and Entryways
Ahmad Abu-Hawash-Treasurer
Liaison-New Resident Updates
Deanne Stuart-Secretary
Liaison-Newsletter
David Suntken-Member-at-Large
Liaison-Safety

Annual Dues Deadline is January 15th.

Every Lot in the Northridge development will pay an annual fee for 2004. This fee pays for greenspace maintenance irrigation, utilities, walkway repairs and accrual for expenses of future repair. Taxes, insurance, and newsletter expenses are also included. **Your volunteer board, members, and neighbors are grateful for every neighbor they don't need to call with a reminder.**

PLEASE SEND YOUR ANNUAL DUES BY U.S. MAIL ONLY.

Annual Homeowners' Association Meeting January 26, 2004

It is almost time for the Northridge Homeowners' Association Annual Meeting. The meeting will be held at the Ames Public Library on **January 26, 2004 at 7:00 p.m.** New Board members will be elected at this time. The agenda will include a summary of the Board and Committee activities for the year and discussion of the need for an increase in the yearly dues. This is a great opportunity to get together with your neighbors and talk about current issues of concern, or to simply visit.

A formal announcement and ballot will be sent out the first week of January.

Northridge Web Page Is Up And Running!

Our neighborhood web page has been running very well. The address of the web page is <http://northridge-Ames.us/> Information which can be found there is:

- * Restrictive covenants
- * Dog fence applications
- * Maps of the development
- * Newsletters
- * Photos
- * Committee information
- * and much more!

Motorized Vehicles

As winter approaches, it is time to remind residents that motorized vehicles are prohibited in the green spaces and on the walking paths. The reason for this is to protect the walkways and green spaces from damage. Thank you for keeping this in mind when looking for a convenient place to snowmobile.

Pond Dangers

Families are asked to please discuss with their children the dangers of playing on or near the icy ponds this winter. The shape of these ponds is such that the embankments may drop off precipitously. Portions of some ponds do not freeze completely and will not support a person's weight. The water in these ponds may be icy cold, and would be hazardous to anyone falling in. Education and awareness is the best way to ensure the safety of your children. Thank you for working together with us to keep our children safe.

Snow Removal

A reminder to residents that you are required by Ames Code to clear snow from the sidewalk in from of your home within 24 hours of its fall. In addition, you can help the fire department to protect you and your neighbors if you take time to clear snow away from fire hydrants as well.

Welcome to new neighbors!

We would like to welcome all new homeowners' to Northridge! In lieu of mentioning all names, we'll refer you to the new directory prepared by the Tom Randall Team. This should be available soon. Have a wonderful holiday season!!